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Nazi-Italian Tanks Swarm at Loyalist Lines in Catalonia

'Lift Arms Embargo Against Spain,' Minor Appeals to American People to Demand of U. S. Government

U. S. AND BRITISH MUNITIONS USED BY FASCISTS

Spain Finds New Strength in Growing Unity Among People to Halt the Foreign Fascist Invasion

By Robert Minor
(Wireless to the Daily Worker)

BARCELONA, March 28.—Under a cloud of Italian and German warplanes and led by a locust-like swarm of tanks, a large section of the Italian regular army, supported by Moors and an insignificant number of Spanish fascist levies, with 10,000 German military technicians, continues attempting to beat its way through the mountains in a supreme effort to reach the sea.

There is no denying that until now they have made headway, but the people and their leaders do not believe that the fascist forces can break through to the sea and the Republican Army is offering steady, unfrightened resistance which every day increases in strength and confidence that it can do again what it has done in the past—to halt the offensive.

SPAIN WILL FIGHT ON

Even if the army of Hitler and Mussolini were to succeed in its present objective to reaching the coast and cutting Barcelona from Madrid, Republican Spain could and would continue to hold out indefinitely.

Come what may, Spain will still be fighting and going strong a year from now, even if it is deserted and left alone to defend Europe from fascist conquest.

Spain is not growing weaker, but is growing stronger and finding new strength in unity, military experience and its own war industries.

If some of Spain's weaker friends abroad are impelled toward panic, let their panic be not for Spain but for France and England and all the Americas.

If the German and Italian forces now in Spain were to succeed in breaking through between Valencia and Barcelona and consolidating a position on the coast, on that day the great France which for a quarter-century was the strongest and proudest military power on the earth, would become overnight a second-class power, while England would be an island in the Atlantic whose statesmen would face again the problem of Columbus, of reaching India by sailing West.

NAZI, ITALIAN MATERIALS

One can understand why unprecedented quantities of German-Italian war materials are poured into this drive toward the sea, and why Italian submarines with new Spanish names are appearing in Spanish waters, only by understanding that this is the other half of the policy expressed in the occupation of Austria.

It is a move to realize Hitler's well-known objective to cut France's communication with the great French African reserves. The Italian occupation of Majorca, if consolidated, will practically destroy the all-sea route from Africa to France for troop transports.

There remains one slender connection by railway from the French border to Alicante and Almeria, with a short sea jump to French Morocco.

The German and Italian drive towards the Spanish

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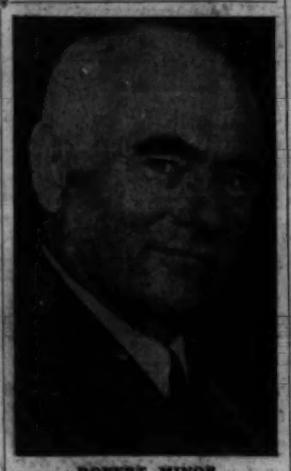

ROBERT MINOR

Mayor Moves to Acquire Bronx, Manhattan 'Els'

Offers Tax Debt of 'El' Co. for Sale; City Will Take Property Unless Sold

Mayor LaGuardia, in a swift move yesterday, acted to place the elevated lines of Manhattan and the Bronx in the hands of the city.

He said the city would offer the $9,000,000 tax debt of the Manhattan Railway Co. for sale today. If no buyers appear—and it is believed they won't—the city will acquire the elevated lines, worth $250,000,000, for $9,000,000.

"Tomorrow morning we will take the first step" the Mayor told reporters. "Sale of the tax lien of the Manhattan Railroad will be advertised for sale in the City Record."

He said that all of the real estate of the company would be listed and catalogued in the Record this morning.

TO FORECLOSE LIENS

The second step, the Mayor added, will be "foreclosure of the lien."

The Mayor worked on the transit problem most of the day. He indicated the city would take action to take over the lines early in the afternoon when he was questioned regarding resumption which endangered the contract between the Manhattan Railway and the I. R. T.

If the contract were disaffirmed the five-cent fare on the "L" lines in Manhattan and the Bronx would be in danger.

"Present litigation and danger of discontinuance of through transportation on one fare between the Interborough Subway and the Manhattan Railway are situations of which I warned the Transit Commission about three years ago," the Mayor said when asked about the litigation.

The Manhattan Railway Co. operates under the lease of the I. R. T. According to the lease, the Manhattan Co. is supposed to receive $3,000,000 a year plus taxes. When they paid merely the interest on transit bonds last October and failed to pay the taxes it was suggested that the city sell the line for back taxes. But nothing was done.

HIGH COURT 6-1 FOR CURB ON UTILITIES

Utility Act Upheld; See Road Clear to Monopoly Curb Legislation

WASHINGTON, March 28.—The Supreme Court in a six to one decision upholding the validity of the registration and penalty features of the 1935 Public Utility Holding Company act today cleared the legal path to the enactment of further legislation to curb monopolies.

The decision came in a challenge brought by the Electric Bond and Share Co., the largest holding company in the industry, of lower New York Court rulings that Congress has power to force interstate utility units to register with a federal agency and to impose penalties for failure to do so. Likewise, the high tribunal agreed that the legality of the various provisions of the act could be considered separately and did not, as the company contended, have to be passed on in relation to other features of the law.

The controlling opinion was read by Chief Justice Charles Evans Hughes. Justice McReynolds, the arch-reactionary and sole dissenter, did not put his opinion in writing. It was merely denoted at the bottom of the opinion that he dissented.

The importance of the decision was emphasized by President Roosevelt's suggestion in his message at the opening of the present session of congress for similar legislation to regulate all monopolies.

The court also approved constitutionality of New York City's relief tax of three per cent on gross income of utilities.

The levy had been challenged by the New York Rapid Transit Corporation.

The company, together with its subsidiary Brooklyn and Queens Transit Corporation, charged the tax was illegally discriminatory, violated the due process and equal protection under the law clauses of the federal constitution, and impaired the companies' contract with the city limiting fare to five cents.

The city argued that the levy was valid under the state law authorizing municipal taxes to meet relief

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NEGRO GROUP WINS HIGH COURT RULING

WASHINGTON, March 28 (UP).—The Supreme Court ruled today that a labor dispute was created when the New Negro Alliance requested a District of Columbia grocery chain to employ Negro clerks in stores in Negro neighborhoods.

The court held that local Federal courts erred in enjoining members of the alliance from picketing stores of the Sanitary Grocery Company.

The court held such an injunction was prohibited under the Norris-LaGuardia act outlawing Federal anti-picketing injunctions in labor dispute cases.

Cornell University Professors Urge McNaboe Bill Veto

13 of Faculty Urge Lehman to Veto Bill As Anti-Progressive Measure; Psychologists League Urges Veto; See Merit System Imperiled

ITHACA, N. Y., March 28.—Thirteen professors on the faculty of Cornell University today expressed their strong disapproval of the McNaboe-Devaney Bill, aimed to bar progressives from public life, in a telegram to Governor Lehman.

"We urge veto of McNaboe-Devaney Bill as undemocratic, anti-progressive measure," the wire read.

Professors Max A. Shepard, Herbert W. Briggs, Robert E. Cushman, Carl Stephenson, F. C. Prescott, Royal E. Montgomery, M. L. Hulse, F. S. Freeman, G. W. Cunningham, Paul M. O'Leary, G. H. Sabine, Carl Becker and W. C. De Vane signed the message urging veto.

Others at Cornell University who have sent telegrams calling on Governor Lehman to veto the McNaboe measure include Dr. C. C. Greene, chairman of the local Japanese Boycott Committee; Frank Untermeyer, head of the Cornell Student Union; Bernadette Kane, chairman of the Cornell Spanish Aid Committee; and Harry Fallon, president of the Cornell Cooperative Dining Club.

PSYCHOLOGISTS URGE VETO

Meanwhile, from New York City, the Psychologists' League, an organization of 200 professional psychologists in the city, urged veto of the measure.

The professionals' organization expressed fear that passage of the McNaboe-Devaney Bill would undermine the merit system in civil service. The letter to Governor Lehman pointed out that many of the League's members are now employed as psychologists in State institutions and agencies.

Among the officers of the League are Max L. Hutt and Mortimer Meyer of the College of the City of New York.

The Furniture Union, Local 76-B, affiliate of the United Furniture Workers, CIO, sent Governor Lehman a telegram expressing indignation against any attempts to foist "fascist measures" like the McNaboe-Devaney Bill upon the American people and urging that the un-American bill be vetoed.

Communist Party Urges Letter Drive For McNaboe Veto

Governor Lehman is now considering the disposal of the McNaboe Bill, passed in the last hours of the session. The entire labor-progressive movement of the State is in solid opposition to this storm-trooper legislation which is aimed at all progressives seeking elective public office and at all progressives in the civil service of the state.

Now is the time for socially minded people through out the state both through their organizations and individually to write or wire Governor Lehman asking for a prompt veto. Don't delay, raise it in your organization. **Write your own letter tonight.**

Signed:

New York State Committee Communist Party U. S. A.
Charles Krumbein
I. Amter.

Planes Ready For Daring Arctic Rescue

Soviet Vessels to Dash to Aid Ice-Locked, Drifting Ships

MOSCOW, March 28 (UP).—Three Soviet ships attempting one of the most dangerous rescue expeditions in the history of Polar exploration fought their way tonight toward three other vessels which have been adrift for five months, locked in ice jams, their fuel depleted.

The icebreakers, Sadko, Malygin and Sedov, with 216 persons aboard them, including a number of women, reported their position as about 600 miles from Tixa Bay at the mouth of the Lena River.

Approximately 250 miles away the icebreakers Lenin, Ilmen and Dixon pressed forward to the vicinity of the drifting vessels. Also nearby were the Comrade Stalin and Kamchadal.

The Lenin, Ilmen and Dixon are to be used as a base for airplanes which will attempt the actual rescue.

See Mussolini Planning Italo-French 'Incident'

ROME, March 28 (UP).—Tension between Italy and France, brought close to the clashing point by their conflicting interests in Spain, tonight led diplomats to believe that Premier Benito Mussolini is preparing to cope with a new "international incident."

Name New Consul

WASHINGTON, March 28 (UP).—President Roosevelt today sent to the Senate the nomination of Howard K. Travers of Central Valley, N. Y., to become U. S. Consul General at Budapest, Hungary.

F. D. ROOSEVELT

Council Tories Move to Stall Relief Tax

Kinsley-Thomas Agree That Bank Tax Is Federal Issue

The Tammany-controlled finance committee of the City Council laid a base yesterday to snarl a Council meeting called for today to vote on new unemployment relief tax measures.

While representatives of civic and political organizations expressed themselves for and against the Mayor's $9,000,000 sales tax proposal and Majority Leader B. Charney Vladeck's plan to increase tax levies on banks, Councilman Joseph E Kinsley insisted he did not consider a relief emergency existed.

Kinsley suggested "it might take a long time" to put a tax program through the Council.

Interrupting Norman Thomas, Socialist Party spokesman, who charged there was "too much politics in the letters between the Mayor and the Governor," Kinsley said:

"The majority of the committee agrees with you 100 per cent. We don't propose to discuss this as an emergency."

Thomas said he was opposed to the 10 per cent cut in relief allowances effective April 1, voted by the Board of Estimate when the Mayor failed to get back from the State $12,000,000 utility tax money.

Representatives of the Workers Alliance, who were in the audience but were not given the floor, said they agreed with Mr. Thomas on this point.

THOMAS OFFERS NO PLAN

But Mr. Thomas, while attacking the Mayor's sales tax proposals, offered no concrete tax source for the Council's consideration. He even spoke doubtfully of Mr. Vladeck's plan to tax commercial bank deposits.

"I think a great deal could be done by taxing bank deposits," he said, **"but I think it should be considered as a federal matter."**

"The committee is in agreement with you," said Chairman Kinsley, **who has used the tax hearings to attack the Labor-Fusion administration.**

While the committee was meeting, Mayor LaGuardia made public a letter he sent to Governor Lehman which said, "I am sure you will be glad to hear that the Supreme Court of the United States has upheld the constitutionality of New York City's three per cent tax on gross incomes of utilities levied to defray relief costs."

Speaking of the $12,000,000 of this tax which the state took away from the city, the Mayor said: "It is the same twelve million dollars taken from this tax that I have been seeking to have restored to the city."

NEW DEAL FORCES DEFEAT TORY DRIVE

Telegram Barrage Seen Same as Foe's Tactic in High Court Issue

By Adam Lapin
(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 28.—New Deal victory on the reorganization bill by a vote of 49 to 42 was seen here today as a defeat for the identical reactionary groups which fought President Roosevelt on his court reform proposals.

Senator Sherman Minton of Minton, Indiana, who heads the Senate Committee investigating lobbying activities, told the Daily Worker that the flood of telegrams opposing the bill showed the existence of an organized lobby which seeks "to destroy the President and the New Deal."

He revealed that a check-up on a number of Senators had proven that the names on thousands of telegrams against the bill were the same as those on telegrams asking defeat of the court reform bill last year.

SAME LIST

Minton placed major responsibility for the sudden influx of telegrams on the national Committee to Uphold Constitutional Government, headed by Frank Gannett, reactionary publisher. Minton has been investigating the activities of this group.

"These people," he declared, **"have a list of all the names of those who sent telegrams on the court reform bill, and they have contacted the same list."**

He said that an eleventh-hour broadcast yesterday afternoon by Father Charles E. Coughlin, fascist radio priest of Detroit, had also swelled the stream of telegrams.

The total of wires protesting in the last 36 hours against the bill was estimated at close to 100,000, with Western Union alone handling some 75,000.

Examination of some of the telegrams showed startling similarity in wording. The phrase, "we are against taxation without representation" was found repeated in scores of wires.

The reorganization bill, which aroused reactionary opposition as has no measure since the court reform bill, establishes a new governmental department of welfare to handle unemployment, health and similar problems.

LAST-MINUTE DRIVE

The bill gives the President power to cut out and reorganize overlapping bureaus, extends civil service to an estimated 200,000 federal workers, sets up a permanent national resources planning board and transfers government accounting from the Comptroller General to an Auditor General. All of the Comptroller General's other functions are given over to the Bureau of the Budget.

A powerful last-minute administration drive including radio speeches last night by Senators James F. Byrnes of South Carolina, who headed the fight for the bill, and Senator Lewis B. Schwellenbach of Washington, succeeded in stemming the reactionary offensive.

In impassioned speeches to crowded galleries and a packed Senate floor, administration leaders and New Deal spokesmen made impassioned pleas for passage of the bill.

Majority leader Alben Barkley

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Loyalists List Extent Of Recent Nazi-Italian Intervention in Spain

HENDAYE, Franco-Spanish Frontier, March 28 (UP).—Lerida, Spanish Loyalist base in Catalonia and citadel of siege since the time of Caesar, was reported to have been abandoned tonight to the fascist war machine rolling upon Barcelona and the Mediterranean seacoast.

BARCELONA, March 28 (UP).—The Loyalist War Ministry asserted tonight that new Italian and German reinforcements, including 4,500 troops of the Italian Regular Army, have arrived in Spain during the last four weeks and are taking part in the invasion of Catalonia.

The Catalonian Government said in a communique tonight that "Franco is chasing a ghost" in his drive upon Catalonia.

"He is sticking his neck between two powerful armies, those of Catalonia and Valencia, which are intact and solidly established on Franco's two flanks," the communique said. **"Never in history has any general offered his enemy such a splendid opportunity."**

The Cabinet today confirmed 17 death sentences in Barcelona against men accused of desertion, rebellion and espionage.

Minister of National Defense Indalecio Prieto, issuing a detailed list of recent arrivals of Nazi-Fascist troops, pilots and fighting planes, said that without the fresh support of Dictators Benito Mussolini and Adolf Hitler the fascists would not have been able to smash their way across the Aragon-Catalonian border.

ITALIAN REGULARS LANDED

The Defense Ministry said the 4,500 Italian regulars, accompanied by 500 Blackshirt Legionnaires, landed at the Southern fascist-held Port of Cadiz on March 10, the day after the start of General Francisco Franco's big push to the eastern seaboard.

A total of 403 German and 340 Italian pilots in fascist ports in March, following by more than 40

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Czech Premier Warns Sudeten Nazis in Talk

PRAGUE, March 28 (UP).—Premier Milan Hodza tonight warned German minorities in Czechoslovakia including the Sudeten Nazis, that "their propaganda against the state must cease."

In a speech broadcast to the nation, he said that while "a new era has begun in minority policies, this must and will be carried on in accordance with constitutional principles."

"The German minorities have the responsibility of upholding the constitution even though they have left the government," he said.

He added that minority rights would be protected. The Prime Minister expressed faith, however, that Nazi Germany has no intention of interfering in Czechoslovakia's internal affairs.

He also praised the foreign policy statement of the British Prime Minister, Neville Chamberlain, terming it a stabilizing influence in international relations.

"Czechoslovakia is stronger than ever," he declared, adding that no danger now threatens the country.

No Truce, Negrin Declares in Gov't. Broadcast

BARCELONA, March 28 (UP).—Premier Juan Negrin, in a radio broadcast tonight, announced that the Loyalists armies never will consider any sort of a truce with Franco.

"We are going through grave days," he said. **"The enemy is using more and more foreign forces but is finding that it is not easy to oppose people and soldiers fighting for independence of their country.**

"Every day we resist is a day of victory. The order of the day is 'resist!' for everybody, from soldier to school child, the order is 'resist!'

"Our fight no longer is a civil war, it is a war against foreign powers."

Hitler Renews Czech Threat In Nazi 'Claim'

10 Million Germans Under Hitler Rule Is Threat; Lashes Schuschnigg

BERLIN, March 28 (UP).—Adolf Hitler tonight again referred to his claims concerning "10,000,000 Germans," tacitly including those in Czechoslovakia, saying "under the peace treaties 10,000,000 people lost their state."

In a speech at the Sports Palace Hitler charged that former Chancellor Kurt Schuschnigg of Austria committed treason "and now prepares new treason and prepares an alibi for treason."

Eighteen thousand Nazis filling the hall yelled themselves hoarse, shouting "Hang Schuschnigg!"

Negro Magistrate Fines Nazi for Insult to Jews

A $25-fine and a stiff reprimand was the answer of Negro Magistrate Myles A. Paige in Yorkville Court yesterday to the Jew-baiting of a Nazi handbill distributor who dished out insults with his pamphlets.

Magistrate Paige found Carl Krack, 27, 315 E. 84th St., guilty of "more than ordinary disorderly conduct." His companion, Otto Fentzke, whom police also described as a Nazi, was fined $5.

Krack was arrested on the complaint of Mrs. Ester Eichel, 317 E. 83th St., who said the Nazi yelled at her: "when the Germans come over here they will chase you Jewish—back to Jerusalem." Mrs. Eichel is the wife of a Yorkville dentist.

After levying the fine, Magistrate Paige said, "If one is going to be racially minded in times like these he must be careful not to hand offensive literature to people it might offend. Naturally Jews in this case would be offended.

"I don't blame them for losing their tempers. Anybody with red blood would.

"I know what would happen if the Klu Klux Klan came up to Harlem making speeches to send the Negroes back to Africa."

Krack attempted to temper his insulting remarks when he gave his version in court. He said he merely said, **"you Jew, why don't you go back to Jerusalem."** Magistrate Paige couldn't see much difference and was unimpressed by Krack's explanation.

The World's Most Flagrant Sham

LONDON, March 28. (UP).—A meeting of the chairman's subcommittee of the committee for non-intervention in Spain was called today for Thursday, to "clarify" the positions of the member governments regarding withdrawal of foreign "volunteers" from Spain and the control of belligerent rights. The committee's last meeting was Feb. 4.

Moscow Spends 130 Million On Homes

(Wireless to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, March 28.—The Moscow Soviet, governing body of the Soviet capital, will spend 130,000,000 rubles during the current year in renovating 12,440 homes, it was announced today.

During the same period 57 new schools will be built.

CABLED NEWS AND COMMENTS AND SPECIAL FOREIGN DISPATCHES TO THE DAILY WORKER

Kwangsi Mobilizes Nearly 2,000,000 in Huge Defense Corps

Partisan Detachments Make Bold Raid Southwest of Changchow and Enter Fuyang—American-Trained Fliers at Front

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

HONGKONG, March 28.—Wei Young Cheng, Chief of the Bureau for Military Training of Civilians, attached to the Kwangsi Provincial Government, in an interview made public today, declared that the people of the Kwangsi province are prepared to fight to the very end against the Japanese aggressors.

Between 1,500,000 persons to 2,500,000 persons out of the 14,000,000 population in this province are undergoing military training.

Students from various institutes are in the first ranks of struggle for national independence. Some of them have already been sent to the front. Others have been sent to the frontier of the provinces of Kwangtung and Kwangsi for prevention of a possible Japanese invasion. Students have been sent into the villages to inform the population for the need for universal arming.

PARTISANS IN BOLD RAID ENTER FUYANG

SHANGHAI, March 28.—Chinese partisans made a bold raid on Fuyang, to the southwest of Hangchow, breaking into the city, destroying Japanese fortifications and killing scores of Japanese soldiers.

The partisans then rushed back into the mountains to hide.

In the Chekiang province, Chinese troops and partisans are developing operations on the northern bank of the Kiangtung River and to the east of Hangchow.

HONAN PARTISANS MAKING ADVANCES

(Wireless to the Daily Worker)

HANKOW, March 28. — In the northern part of the Honan province and southern part of the Hopeh province, Chinese troops are increasingly applying the tactics of partisan warfare, operating in contact with the population and partisan detachments.

Recently, Chinese troops purged the Chang Yuan region in south Hopeh of Japanese.

Chinese troops occupied Chang Yuan.

To the north, Kaifing Chinese units reached Pingtsu and also captured Taokow, northeast of Weihoya, also conducting an offensive on Tangyin, 80 kilometres north of the Sinsiang Honan province.

In the northwestern part of the Shansi province, after Chinese troops took Hetsui, the eastern bank of the Huangho River was cleared of Japanese troops.

In the Northern part of the front of the Tientsin-Pukow railway, fighting took place for three days to the northeast of Taerchuang.

Chinese pursued retreating Japanese troops up to the suburbs of Isian.

To the west, this brigade of Chinese troops is conducting an offensive on Yanchow. Another Chinese detachment is advancing on Tawenkow, north of Yanchow.

AVIATORS HOME FROM U. S. AFTER FLYING STUDIES

SHANGHAI, March 28.—American Chinese aviators, back home after a year of study in the United States financed by the Chinese National Government, are active at the front, demonstrating miracles of bravery.

The students, sent specifically to study aviation, are returning to China in groups and singly. Immediately on their return, they are sent to the front lines.

Another group of 50 persons recently returned to their country, bringing with them ten aeroplanes bought by Chinese patriots living abroad.

Harlem Groups In Joint Spain Meeting Wed.

(Daily Worker Harlem Bureau)

"Lift the embargo against Spain," will ring through the streets of Lower Harlem Wednesday evening, March 30, in a mighty demonstration sponsored by the churches, social, civic and mass organizations of the community.

Speakers at the demonstration will include Assemblyman Oscar Garcia Rivera and Armande Romar.

Among the organizations participating in the demonstration are: the Spanish Workers Club, the Julio Mella Club, the Workers' Alliance, the Lower Harlem Committee for Spanish Democracy and the Lower Harlem Section of the Communist Party.

The demonstration will denounce the bombing of Barcelona and demand passage of the O'Connell peace resolution.

Starting from 111th St. and Madison Ave., at 7:30 P.M., the parade will wind up in a mass meeting at the Spanish Workers Club, 1490 Madison Ave.

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CHINESE SMASH TOKIO LINES; RETAKE CITIES

Win Big Victories in Southern Shantung; Retake 5 Cities

SHANGHAI, Tuesday, March 29 (UP).—The Chinese War Office in Hankow said today that its reinforced armies based on Kweiteh and Tungkwan had smashed into the Japanese lines and recaptured five cities.

The cities are Lincheng, Tsining, Tsaochwang, Ichow (Lini) and Japanese lines etaoine etaoin eta Fengkiu and adjacent villages.

"Our counter-offensive, designed to relieve pressure on key points in our Lung-Hai line (defending Hankow, the provisional capital) has resulted in a series of smashing victories in Southern Shantung and Southern Shansi Provinces," the spokesman said.

"We reoccupied Lincheng Sunday night and bottled up the Japanese driven from that city in the nearby mountains. Another of our columns recaptured Tsaochwang and then fought its way into the suburbs of Ichow, forcing the Japanese who had been holding positions there back toward Chu-Chien.

"To the westward we cleared out the whole countryside around Fengkiu.

"Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek has 50 divisions [close to 500,000 troops] in the great counter-offensive taking place on all fronts."

Reorganization Bill Passed By the Senate

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and Senator Byrnes threatened to resign from the committee on reorganization if the bill was recommitted.

Senator Robert LaFollette, Wisconsin Progressive, rebuked reactionary Senators who have charged that the bill sets up a dictatorship by declaring that they did a "disservice to democracy."

ANSWERS VANDENBERG

Hurling back the charge of Senator Arthur H. Vandenberg of Michigan that the bill is "potential dictatorship," LaFollette said:

"I think that those who raise this issue, who cry 'wolf, wolf' over measures that do not warrant it, do a disservice to the democratic process."

Speaking on the same issue, Senator Mathew M. Neeley of West Virginia declared that he had "no fear that the passage of the bill will cause the heavens to fall or democracy to perish from the earth."

At 3 P. M., following the heated debate, the real test came on the motion to recommit made by Senator David I. Walsh of Massachusetts. The administration lines held up and the motion was defeated by a vote of 48 to 43.

The vote on the actual motion showed the same line-up except that Senator Robert J. Bulkley of Ohio switched from a vote to recommit to a vote for the bill.

The final count opposing the bill showed 26 Democrats, 14 Republicans and two Farmer-Laborites, Senators Ernest Lundeen and Henrik Shipstead opposing the bill. Favoring the bill were 47 Democrats, one Progressive, Senator LaFollette, one Independent and Senator George Norris.

A motion by Senator Byrnes to substitute the less drastic House bill for the Senate bill to facilitate passage in the House was tabled on a motion by Senator Barkley. The Senate bill must now go to the House where, Senator Byrnes predicted, it would pass.

The concluding portion of the article on the Chinese Eighth Route Army by Hsiao Hsiang-jung will appear in a forthcoming issue of the Daily Worker. The first article, detailing the guerrilla tactics of the army, was printed in yesterday's Daily Worker.

Col. House Dies

Colonel Edward M. House (above), wartime adviser of the late President Woodrow Wilson, and one of the most influential behind-the-scenes diplomats in American history, died yesterday of pleurisy in his New York home. He would have been 80 next July 26. This picture was taken on his 76th birthday, during a vacation at Salem, Mass.

HIGH COURT 6-1 FOR CURB ON UTILITIES

Utility Act Upheld; See Road Clear to Monopoly Curb Legislation

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requirements. It specifically denied each of the companies' charges of unconstitutionality.

The opinion, unanimous, was delivered by Justice Stanley F. Reed. It was the new justice's first major opinion. Justice Benjamin N. Cardozo did not participate.

The challenged levy assesses a three per cent tax on gross income of all utilities operating in the city to raise relief funds.

The utility case, accepted by the industry and the government as a test of the measure's validity, was regarded generally asthe most important litigation to come before the high court during its 1937-38 term.

Principal point of contention was whether the registration and penalty provisions were separable from the acts' other provisions. The government contended that they were separable, and that the registration provision in itself constituted a valid regulation inasmuch as it would throw valuable publicity on intricate financial dealings and corporate structures on holding companies.

JACKSON LEADS CASE

The case was argued orally before the high court on Feb. 7, 8 and 9. Bearing the brunt of the government's case was Robert H. Jackson, then Assistant Attorney General and now Solicitor General. He was supported by Benjamin V. Cohen, special assistant to the Attorney General, who is credited generally with having drawn up the original act in conjunction with Thomas G. Corcoran, White House confidante, and Special Assistant Attorney General. Cohen and Corcoran both played an active part in the government's defense of the act throughout the E.B.S. litigation.

Pitted against Jackson and Cohen in the oral argument were Thomas D. Thacher, Solicitor General under the Hoover administration, and former Federal Judge John F. Maclane.

The Government's contentions were upheld fully by both the Southern New York Federal District Court, where the case originated, and the Second Circuit Court of Appeals. Both these tribunals held the registration clause was separable and valid.

Hughes declared Congress was entitled to demand from utility holding firms "the fullest information as to organization, financial structure and all the activities which could have any bearing upon the exercice of Congressional authority.

The court also agreed to decide whether the proposed Child Labor Amendment to the Constitution is dead because it was not ratified by sufficient States within a reasonable time. The case was brought by 21 Senators and three representatives of the Kansas Legislature.

Society to Hold Mass Rally for Rubin Scheeter

A memorial mass meeting to honor Rubin Schechter, young Jewish hero who gave his life fighting for the democratic Spanish people, will be held Thursday evening at 8:30 o'clock in the College Ballroom, Hotel Edison, 226 W. 47th St. The meeting has been called by Lipkaner Bessarabier Progressive Society, of which Alex Schechter, father of the boy, is president.

NEW LITHUANIA GOV. BOLSTERS INDEPENDENCE

Mironas' Cabinet Seen Resisting Demands of Poland

(Wireless to the Daily Worker)

KAUNAS, Lithuania, March 28.—The new Lithuanian Cabinet, headed by the Patriarch Mironas, which came to power as a result of Lithuania's acceptance of a Polish ultimatum, has strengthened the position of the forces advocating independence of the country.

The unification of the Ministry of Defense and the Army High Command creates more favorable conditions for the Army to exert greater influence over government policy.

Mironas, the new Premier, has long been politically influential, but has never before accepted a governmental post. He is known as the most vehemently anti-Polish figure in Lithuanian public life. He is an ardent advocate of Lithuanian independence.

From the viewpoint of the internal political situation, the new Cabinet strengthens the personal position of President Anantas Smetona and the political trend which he heads.

The stand of the new Government in foreign politics is still unknown, as no statement in this regard has been issued by it to date.

Lithuanians At Phila. Rally Rap Poland Threats

(Daily Worker Eastern Penna. Bureau)

PHILADELPHIA, March 28.—Fifteen hundred Lithuanians here protested Poland's ultimatum to Lithuania in a mass meeting at the Lithuanian Hall, 2715 E. Allegheny Ave.

Rabbi Louis Wolsey, one of the speakers, declared: "Poland is doing the same thing to Lithuania as Germany did to Austria. Poland is taking inspiration from Germany."

The meeting passed a resolution which is being sent to President Roosevelt and the ambassadors of all countries represented in Washington calling on them to aid Lithuania to preserve her independence.

The resolution also provided for a congress of the million and a quarter Lithuanians, the number of Lithuanians of native birth in America, to form a broad committee to aid their mother country.

Schuschnigg to Face Nazi Axe in Treason Trial

VIENNA, March 28 (UP).—Austria's last Chancellor, Kurt Schuschnigg, will be tried by the German Government possibly on charges of high treason against the Nazi Reich, punishable by death on the chopping-block, it was reported tonight.

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Mexicans Celebrate Oil Victory

4,200 Mexican Miners Give Huge Sum to Pay Oil Firms

Part of the huge throng of 250,000 Mexicans who assembled in Mexico City to celebrate government's taking over oil fields are shown in photo. Capital had never witnessed so huge a demonstration.

Whole People Backs Cardenas Stand—Raise Funds

By Alfred Miller

(Special to the Daily Worker)

MEXICO CITY, March 28.—President Lazaro Cardenas, who declared Thursday that he does not want any financial or other support to compensate the oil companies "unless it is absolutely voluntary and spontaneous," was pleasantly surprised when he learned that 4,200 miners and metallurgical workers, in extraordinary session at Nueva Rosita, Coahuila State, that same night, decided to turn over to him five days of wages, amounting to about 100,000 pesos. The money will be paid in monthly installments of 17,000 pesos each.

This contribution was so far the greatest, and perhaps the one that entailed the biggest sacrifices.

The enthusiasm of the Mexican people in their efforts to win economic independence are astonishing to anyone, and in particular to foreigners here. Many of the latter can find only one explanation, that these contributions are forced by Government or trade union officials.

WHOLE PEOPLE CONTRIBUTES

Your correspondent knows differently. The response of the Mexican people is genuine.

He has seen workers who are terribly underpaid, scrape together a few pesos to support the move of their President.

Unlike other foreign correspondents here, the Daily Worker reporter maintains the closest personal contacts with the Mexican workers in their unions and meetings as well as in their homes. In the homes, even children open their lean savings banks to devote the small contents to the cause.

The President's office is making daily announcements of long lists of contributions received "to pay for Mexico's economic independence." They come from government officials, from professionals, and last but not least from workers and peasants.

There are contributions from soldiers, and rumors that the soldier's pay would be cut have been officially denied by the government.

COMPANIES OWE WORKERS

The Senate of the Republic contributed 50,000 pesos Thursday, not considering individual contributions of Senators running up to 6,000 pesos.

The compensation which Mexico will pay the oil companies will be relatively small. The official representative of all the companies, Mr. Kukion, has stated that the investment of the oil industry is around 400,000,000 pesos—a figure quite different from the estimate of the N. Y. Times correspondent here, who maintains that the companies have $450,000,000 — or more than five times as much—invested in Mexico.

Because the companies have broken their contracts, they are liable to compensation for their workers. Under the provisions of Mexican Labor Law, every worker who is fired without sufficient reason or whose contract is broken by the employer, is entitled to wages for three months and 20 days for every year of employment.

For the 20,000 oil workers this sum will amount to about 140,000,000 pesos, which when deducted from the amount of compensation to be paid, leaving quite little.

Oil Trusts Ask Hull to Reverse Mexico Decree

Six Executives of Four U. S Petroleum Companies Meet With Sec. Hull; Gov't Says No Decision Yet Reached; Oil Barons Demand U S Act

WASHINGTON, March 28.—Six executives of four American petroleum companies conferred today with Secretary of State Cordell Hull concerning the Mexican government's expropriation of American oil properties.

They asked official support of the United States government in their effort to have the expropriation reversed.

Only a few hours earlier the Treasury had announced that it would discontinue purchasing silver produced in Mexico, leading to speculation that the U. S. government was already exerting pressure on the Mexican Government for a reconsideration of its oil decision.

The Secretary of State declared that there would be no decision as to any action this Government might take before study of the brief filed with the department by the oil companies.

He refused to discuss the suspension of silver purchases from Mexico in connection with the oil situation, stating that the suspension was primarily a matter for the reasury and that any comment would have to come from the Treasury.

Mr. Hull said that he had also received a protest from private owners against the seizure of seventy-five American railroad tank cars in Mexico.

The six oil executives who saw Mr. Hull were Walter Teagle, chairman of the board of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey; W. S. Farish, president; Eugene Holman, president of the Huasteca Petroleum Company, a Standard Oil subsidiary; Judge Frank Feuille, representing the Standard Oil Company of California; Albert E. Watts, president of the Penn-Mex Fuel Company, and Judge James W. Reid, representing the Consolidated Oil Company and the Mexican Sinclair Petroleum Corporation.

Hungary Debt Move to U. S. Lauded by FDR

WASHINGTON, March 28 (UP). —President Roosevelt broke an administration precedent today by suggesting to Congress that it give "most careful consideration" to Hungary's proposal that it pay its post-war debt of $1,685,835 in full but without interest.

Lauding the move as a "noteworthy wish and effort," Mr. Roosevelt said in a special message that the Hungarian government wishes to reach a definite readjustment calling for full payment of principal "over a period of years," without interest, but that such an agreement needs Congressional sanction.

The debt was contracted in May, 1920, when the Central European Republic was allowed credits to purchase flour for relief needs. Accrued interest aggregates $450,000.

3,000 in Boston Hail Browder At Peace Rally

5,000 at 3 Boston Rallies Pledge Fight for Joint Peace Action

(Special to the Daily Worker)

BOSTON, March 28. — Approximately 5,000 persons at three separate meetings here yesterday pledged themselves to strive for peace through promoting the cause of a united front of democratic nations against fascist aggression abroad and a people front to resist fascism at home.

Earl Browder, general secretary of the Communist Party of the U.S., speaking to 3,000 persons in a meeting sponsored by the Community Church, declared that the vocal pronouncements of Secretary of State Cordell Hull and President Roosevelt for peace through cooperation must be translated into action.

700 AT FORD HALL

Seven hundred persons attended a meeting at Ford Hall in the afternoon to hear speakers sponsored by the Friends of the Garibaldi Brigade. Speakers included Professor Salvermini of Harvard and Major Pacahardi. Both stressed the need for a united front to resist fascism.

Nearly a thousand persons packed the Old South Meetinghouse in the evening to hear Rep. Jerry J. O'Connell of Montana declare that the Cahtolic workers and farmers of Spain are not supporters of Franco but of the Republican government.

He urged support for his resolution to lift the embargo on supplies to Loyalist Spain and called on all friends of democracy to support the boycott of Japanese goods.

Austria Church Hints at Berlin-Vatican Pact

Pro-Nazi Catholic Letter Gives Rise to Early Conciliation

VIENNA, March 28 (UP).—Unofficial Nazi and Roman Catholic quarters talked today of the possibility of an early reconciliation between Nazi Germany and the Vatican.

The chief reason for the expectation was a letter read in all Austrian Catholic churches yesterday urging Catholics to vote "yes" in the April 10 plebiscite on union with Germany.

A foreword to the declaration issued in the name of Austrian bishops was signed by Cardinal Innitzer, Archbishop of Vienna, long a foe of Communism.

Mexico C. P. to Issue Monthly Magazine Soon

(Special to the Daily Worker)

MEXICO CITY, March 28.—The National Educational Commission of the Communist Party has announced that a theoretical organ of the Party, "El Comunista," will be issued soon.

The magazine will be issued monthly and will contain contributions from leaders of the Mexican Party and brother American parties. Subscription price will be 3 pesos yearly.

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Psychologists Ask U. S. Give Asylum to Freud

Asylum for Sigmund Freud, noted Viennese psychologist, "a virtual prisoner" since the Nazi coup in Austria was urged yesterday in a letter to Secretary of State Cordell Hull by the Psychologists' League of New York City.

The League, an organization of 200 professional psychologists, charged that Professor Freud is "denied freedom to emigrate from a country in which studied persecution of Jews has suddenly elevated to a national principle, and where denunciation of his theories is sure to be advanced as a corollary to that principle."

The organization, which is headed by Max L. Hutt of the College of the City of New York, urged that every possible step be taken by the State Department to insure that Professor Freud has an opportunity to take advantage of the offer of asylum.

The League also passed a resolution supporting the O'Connell Peace Bill to amend the Neutrality Act in order to distinguish between aggressor nations and their victims and endorsed the boycott of Japanese goods as an effective means of curtailing Japanese aggression in China.

War on Cancer

WASHINGTON, March 28 (UP). President Roosevelt today proclaimed the month of April cancer control month and invited medical and social agencies to unite in a national program to fight the disease.

USSR Honors Gorky's Anniversary; Pravda Lashes Trotzkyist Slayers

(Wireless to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, March 28.—The Communist Party organ Pravda today pays tribute to Maxim Gorky, martyred "father of proletarian literature," who was born 70 years ago today. Gorky was one of the victims of the murder gang of Trotzky-Bukharinist spies and fascist agents sentenced by the Soviet courts a few weeks ago.

"It is hard to believe that he is not with us today," Pravda writes. "Had not the hand of the Right-Trotzkyist assassins torn Gorky from our midst, this day would have been a joyous celebration for the whole Soviet country, for the working people of the whole world.

"Gorky could have met his 70th birthday in the midst of intense work. His incandescent mind was full of ideas and plans. He planned to write new works. . . .

"The fascist degenerates cut short the wonderful life of this genius.

"To Gorky belongs a tremendous role in the reorganization of our country.

LEADER OF USSR LITERATURE

"Until the last day of his active life he stood at his fighting post as a leader of Soviet literature and an inflexible fighter for the triumph of Communism.

"Now, after the trial of the 'Bloc of Rights and Trotzkyists,' we know that Gorky was foully assassinated by the most bitter enemies of the Soviet Union and the international proletariat.

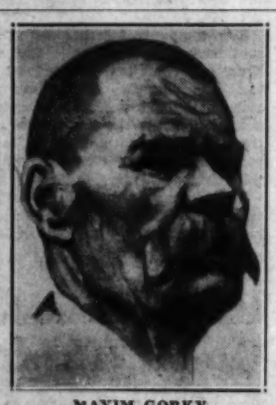
"This monstrous crime was conceived in the general staffs of the fascist states. It was organized on the direct proposal of Trotsky, the fascist spy and provocateur, and on the decision of Bukharin, Rykov and Yagoda, the leaders of the gang of spies.

"They murdered Gorky because, he, as a true son of the people, was devoted to the Bolshevik Party, to the Stalinist Central Committee of the Party and to the Soviet Government.

"They murdered Gorky because he was the closest friend of Comrade Stalin.

"They murdered Gorky because he hated fascism passionately and gave all his energy to the struggle against this curse of capitalism.

"The life of Gorky personified the history of the growth, struggle and victory of the proletariat. Together with the working class of Russia, Gorky marched on and came to Marxism-Leninism.



MAXIM GORKY

"At the height of his literary fame, Gorky joined for his lifetime with the Party of the working class, the Party of Lenin and Stalin.

GAVE ALL TO REVOLUTION

"Gorky gave his whole genius to the struggle for the proletarian Socialist Revolution. His stories, novels and dramas are permeated with love for the people, for the fatherland, for Socialism.

"He was the leader of Soviet literature. Gorky taught Soviet writers to look more closely at the new Soviet life. He wrote: 'It is a joy to live and fight in a country where the great wisdom of the Party and the iron will of its leader, Joseph Stalin, have once and for all liberated man from the cursed customs and prejudices of the past.'

"Gorky lashed out with revolutionary fervor against the enemies of the working class and the Soviet Union. His exposure of the instigators of world war, of the bandits of fascism, made Gorky a recognized leader of advanced international democracy.

"His fiery words aroused millions of working people and enraged the fascist swine. By assassinating Gorky, they strove to deal a heavy blow to the Soviet country.

"Our sorrow is great. The wound to Soviet and world literature is still open and raw.

"But our love for the wonderful and noble writer burns more strongly. His words are immortal, they call us to struggle, they still teach us the road forward."

Complete Text of Minnesota Farmer-Labor Party Platform

(Special to the Daily Worker)

DULUTH, Minn., March 28.—The regular annual Minnesota Farmer-Labor Party convention which opened here Friday and closed Sunday climaxed another epic milestone in the progressive achievements and further cemented the united aims of the leading party in the state.

The convention attended by 1,200 regular delegates from all corners of Minnesota unanimously elected Governor Elmer Benson as their choice for governor-elect, enthusiastically adopted a far-reaching progressive platform on every issue confronting the mass of American people today, and presented a solid block against the disruptors, Trotzkyists, renegades and reactionaries, desperately attempting to split the Farmer-Labor Party.

Below the Daily Worker publishes the preamble and full text of the platform adopted at Duluth.

Farmer-Labor Platform for 1938

Preamble

The Minnesota Farmer-Labor Association meets in convention in 1938 in a period of great historic importance. Another economic crisis faces the nation. Millions of men and women capable and anxious to work are denied employment and the right to enjoy a decent standard fo living. Thousands are being added daily to the relief rolls. Farm produce prices are such that thousands of farmers are losing their farms, and still one-third of the people of the nation are ill fed. Millions are in need of clothing and other personal necessities, while factories prepared to produce such necessities stand idle because of failure to produce profits.

Untold thousands must exist in hovels while skilled workers stand idle but ready to build them comfortable homes. Independent business men are going bankrupt or out of business because the purchasing power of the farmers and laborers have been cut to a minimum. Professional people are suffering because the masses are unable to pay them for their services. Youth is denied the opportunity of a full and normal life.

We recognize it as our duty and privilege to propose a platform and adequate program that will materially assist in restoring to the people of the state and nation the right and opportunity of living conditions befitting American citizens. We also realize that in the solution of social and economic problems confronting the state it will be necessary to adopt forceful and vigorous measures and to pioneer in the field of economics and make fundamental changes in our social system.

Throughout the world the democratic rights of the people are being challenged and democracy is being held up to scorn. International morality has virtually disappeared and militaristic governments are threatening another world war.

PLEDGES TO FIGHT FOR PEOPLE

In this critical situation, the Minnesota Farmer-Labor Association pledges itself to carry forward the people's demands for democracy, social justice, economic security and peace.

We recognize that the issue between the people and the selfish few who control their economic and social life is daily becoming sharper. Reactionary forces are becoming more bold in their efforts to defeat progress. They are now openly resisting the demands for adequate wages and shorter hours for labor, security of tenure and cost of production for the farmer, an adequate measure of

GOV. ELMER A. BENSON

relief and social security for the needy, protection of the independend merchant against unfair competition, an equitable system of taxes levied in accordanve with ability to pay, and the efforts to make the courts responsive to the present needs of our people.

In this campaign the industrial overlords in their alignment with political reaction, are attempting to hide their faces under the mask of liberalism.

The American people have inherited a tradition of democracy and liberalism. This tradition actuated our forefathers in 1776, it carried the American people through the great struggle for democratic rights during the days of Jefferson and Jackson, and it won for them, under Abraham Lincoln, the fight against human slavery.

The same tradition sustained the American people in their fight against predatory wealth under the leadership of such men as the elder Robert M. LaFollette, Charles A. Lindbergh, and Floyd B. Olson.

The Farmer-Labor Association reaffirms its faith in liberal, democratic American traditions. It maintains its position as the party ofdemocracy and representative government, and in these days when democracy is threatened in every nation, announces its intention to defend our democratic American rights against those who would destroy them by setting up autocratic dictatorial forms of government. We therefore denounce every effort to introduce intolerance and undemocratic influences into our social system, dictatorial methods into our governmental structure, and propaganda inimical to American ideals and traditions.

The Farmer-Labor Party is pledged to enact into law the progressive demands of the people. This program is embodied in the following proposals:

Legislation By Congress

AGRICULTURE

Individual ownership of farms and farm homes should be encouraged by refinancing the farmer at a low rate of interest (Frazier-Lemke Bill) and to adopt a program fixing a fair minimum price—based on cost of production—on major agricultural commodities needed for the home market and at a fair exchange value which such productive devices as may be necessary to give the American market to the American farmer.

A farm program which will provide for financing of land purchases by tenant farmers.

We advocate the decentralization of the bureaucratic control of the Federal Land Bank by the Farm Credit Administration and that the co-operative features of the Federal Iand Bank be restored to the farm borrowers.

Federal crop insurance on all major farm crops.

Reduction in freight rates on agricultural products.

Weed control and eradication program.

LABOR

An adequate wage and hour bill; full support to labor's right to bargain collectively by an appropriation sufficient to insure the effective operation of the National Labor Relations Board.

INDUSTRY

Liberalize Reconstruction Finance Corporation loaning policies to permit loans to small business at low interest rates.

TAXATION

We advocate reduction of taxes on small incomes and small businesses, taxes to be levied in accordance with ability to pay, so that wealth pays the proper share toward the upkeep of government; continuance of corporate surplus and undivided profits taxes; no tax exempt securities; in the protection of the independent merchant we favor the passage of the Patman Chain Store Tax Bill.

PUBLIC WELFARE

We advocate greater federal responsibility for both direct and work relief; no relief or WPA cuts so long as need exists; continuance of PWA; extension of social security program to include other groups were practicable; continuation and extension of WPA on the basis of union wages and conditions and no paupers oath as condition for employment.

PEACE

We advocate co-operation with all forces genuinely seeking peace in their efforts to promote peace; we are opposed to entangling alliances and to increased armaments; we favor nationalization of all war munitions plants and the drafting of wealth in time of war; we would prohibit the sale of war materials to warring nations; forbid Americn bankers to loan money to warring nations engaged in war or for the purpose of making war; we advocate the defeat of the Sheppard-May dictatorship bill.

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COURTS

We favor an amendment to the Constitution of the United States reducing the term of federal judges from life to a term of not more than ten years.

CIVIL LIBERTIES

We favor the enactment of the anti-lynching bill and other measures designed to protect the civil rights of the people; adequate appropriations to carry on the work of the LaFollette committee investigating violations of free speech and rights of labor.

BANKING

We favor enactment of legislation granting Congress the exclusive and constitutional power to coin money, and to regulate the value thereof; government ownership of Federal Reserve Banks.

Legislation By The State

ENACT A PEOPLE'S TAX PROGRAM

We favor an equitable tax program; reduction of the state income tax so that exemption correspond with Federal law, and rates reduced for all classes under $5,000 a year income; taxes to be levied in accordance with ability to pay so that wealth pays its proper share in the upkeep of government.

Opposition to all forms of general sales taxes.

Complete exemption from the state tax levy on homesteads.

For the benefit of the independent merchant and small business man we advocate a graduated corporate income tax and chain store tax based on the national unit, the principle of the Louisiana Act.

Reduction of property taxes.

Appropriation for investigation of tax dodging by corporations and wealthy individuals.

We believe that a form of taxation should be devised so that the benefit of mineral wealth shall redound to the tax revenues of the state without any reduction in the tax revenues of the local communities.

AGRICULTURE

We advocate an adequate and effective license tax on oleomargarine and all butter substitutes sold and used in the State of Minnesota.

We advocate legislation encouraging the extension of cooperative activities.

In order to discourage chain farming we favor a graduated land tax on large land holdings.

We favor submission of a constitutional amendment which would permit the State of Minnesota to make use of the dock site which it owns in the Duluth harbor for terminal facilities, as intended by our fathers.

We advocate a research program to develop uses for surplus farm crops.

We advocate the expansion of agricultural education in our schools.

LABOR

We pledge our full support and aid to the right of labor to organize and bargain collectively in conformity with the law of the land.

We pledge our support to all workers in their struggle for higher wages and better working conditions.

We condemn the use of the spy system in the industry and urge the passage of legislation to this end.

We advocate the adoption of a state fund workmen's compensation law.

We propose a constitutional amendment giving the state the right to enact an adequate wage and hour bill.

We propose a State Labor Relations Act patterned on the National Labor Relations Act.

We propose enactment of legislation requiring purchase by the State of materials and supplies made under trade union standards.

We propose an improved minimum wage and hour law for women together with more adequate health measures for women employed in industry.

TO PROMOTE THE GENERAL WELFARE

We favor the enactment of laws to facilitate slum clearance and low-cost housing programs for farm and city; and for that purpose we urge the ratification of the Federal Housing Authority Act by the State of Minnesota for the benefit of the low income groups.

Adequate civil service laws for state employees.

Legislation to permit state cooperation with the Federal government in establishing rural electrification cooperatives and municipally-owned power plants, together with a law to facilitate the acquisition and operation of municipal utilities. (We favor the submission of a constitutional amendment to carry out this program.)

Election to the State Legislature by party designation.

Appropriation of sufficient funds to the Attorney General to permit the investigation and prosecution of all forms of racketeering together with legislation to curb the usurious practices of loansharks.

EDUCATION

We advocate and demand legislation to insure the payment of schools aids in full. All income tax proceeds should be devoted exclusively to the maintenance and support of our schools. We favor increased facilities for the transportation of non-resident pupils to our high schools. Adequate funds should be provided for scholarships and youth programs designed to provide our young people with an opportunity for education and employment. We commend the Regents of the University of Minnesota for their action in abolishing compulsory military training and also commend Regents in the confirmation in their allegiance to academic freedom. We favor a program of adult education. We favor the extension of the teachers' tenure law wherever practical.

JOBS AND SECURITY FOR ALL

We oppose throwing the relief burden back on local communities where it becomes an unbearable tax burden on merchants, farmers, and home-owners, but propose that increased responsibility for relief expenditures be carried by the Federal and State governments to be paid for by a tax on the profits of monopolies.

We propose a unified agency for the administration of veterans relief.

We urge more adequate social security measures, unemployment compensation, old age assistance, mothers' pensions, etc.

We propose the payment of direct relief in cash.

PROTECT MINNESOTA INDUSTRY

The Farmer-Labor Association differentiates sharply between the huge monopoly corporations and trusts and legitimate independent business. The former evade taxes, take their profits out of the state, and do not contribute their share to the general welfare of the people. The independent business man lives and pays taxes in Minnesota, employs Minnesota labor, buys Minnesota's products, and contributes everything to Minnesota's prosperity. We propose, as in the past, to protect Minnesota business against predatory monopolies to the end that we may have a balanced prosperity among all the people of Minnesota.

We propose to lower exorbitant trucking rates on intra - state trucking to give Minnesota truck-owners an equitable competitive position in relation to the monopoly trucking corporations.

We oppose dismemberment of the M. & St. L. R. R. and all railroad consolidations that involve lay-offs of railroad labor, and discontinuance of service to communities.

We favor development of upper Mississippi River navigation and the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Waterway.

CONSERVE OUR NATURAL RESOURCES

We advocate the intensified management of state owned resources for the greatest benefit of the majority of the people and urge that work relief be made increasingly self-supporting by the institution of work projects for the development of these state-owned resources.

We advocate a more adequate program for forest protection, public regulation to prevent forest destruction on private land, public aid to farm forestry, state and federal aid to counties in lieu of taxes and other revenue from tax delinquent forest land and land purchased by the state and federal government, and the passage of Amendment No. 1 authorizing consolidation of state forest holdings by the exchange of land.

We advocate public ownership and development of water power resources.

PRESERVE OUR DEMOCRATIC RIGHTS

We propose to repeal the Minnesota Criminal Syndicalism Law.

We oppose any attempt to curb or deny our basic democratic rights.

We are opposed to all efforts to repeal our primary election law.

U. S. Assures Aid To Austrian Jews

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 28.—A delegation of Jewish leaders received assurances today from high State and Labor Department officials that the United States government would do everything in its power to aid refugees from Austria and Germany. Representing the Jewish People's Committee, the group urged that the United States take immediate steps to aid victims of Hitler terror.

The group included William S. Weiner, president of the Jewish People's Committee, Rabbi Joseph Greenfeld, Ephraim Schwartzman, committee secretary, Samuel Gordon and Morris Greenbaum, national board members.

Accompanied by Representative William Sirovich of New York, they were received by Secretary of State Cordell Hull. They then conferred for more than an hour with Under Secretary Sumner Welles and Assistant Secretary George S. Messersmith.

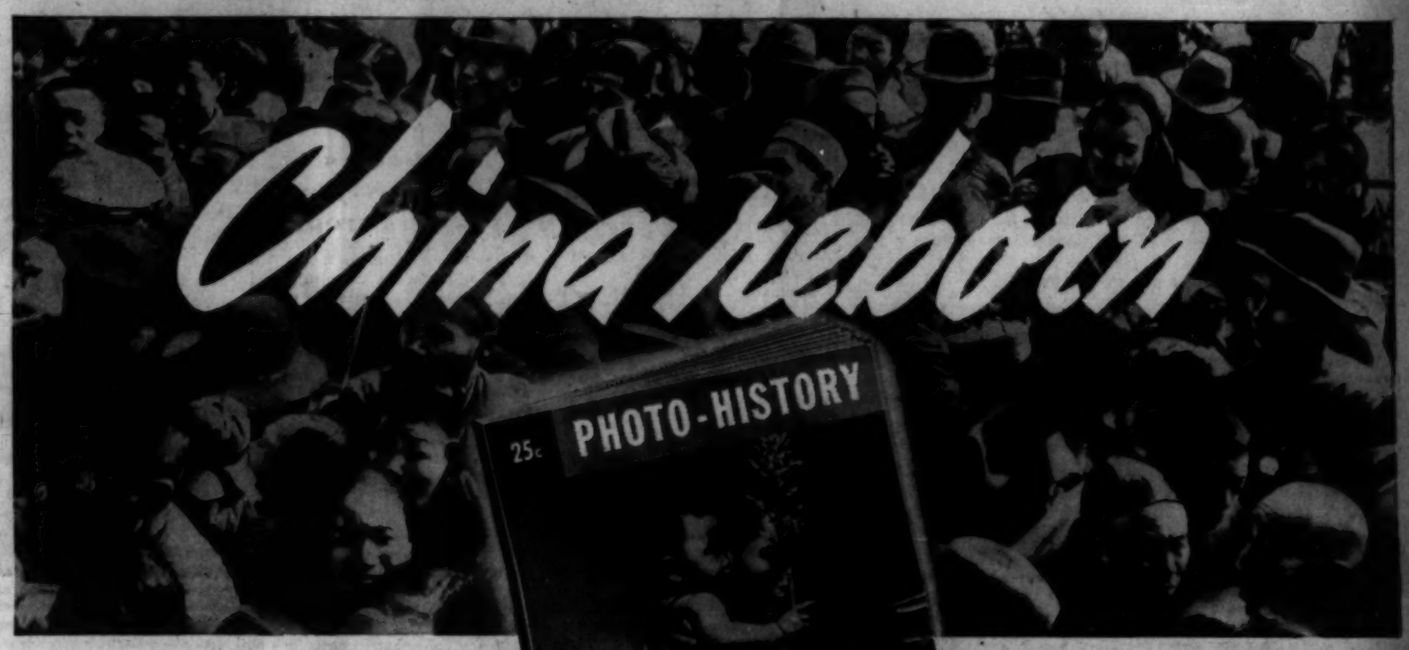
FINANCES NEEDED

Weiner declared that Welles and Messersmith told them that the department would do everything possible under existing laws, but that action by Congress would be necessary to accommodate any large number of refugees.

In a formal statement to the State Department, the committee thanked President Roosevelt for acting on behalf of refugees.

"The Jewish People's Committee wishes to take this occasion," the statement said, "to express its deepest gratitude to our President as the spokesman of the nation, for the initiative taken by him in convoking an international conference with a view of bringing about a cooperative effort to facilitate the emigration of refugees from Austria and Germany, etc., and their immigration into civilized countries.

"We hope, and trust that this conference will not only perfect ways and means to facilitate the emigration of refugees from Austria, and their admission into civilized countries, but that it will also find a way to solidify world opinion in such a powerful and unbending opposition to ruthless oppression and persecution of innocent and helpless people, that the oppressive government will feel impelled to mend their ways."



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Mass at Madison Square Garden Rally April 4th for Peace

Nazi Italian Tanks Swarm at Loyalist Lines in Catalonia

'Lift Arms Embargo Against Spain,' Minor Appeals to American People to Demand of U. S. Government

By Robert Minor

(Continued from page 1)

Mediterranean coast is intended to cut this last link for France.

After succeeding in this, Hitler hopes to talk to France as Poland talks to Lithuania, and Switzerland, Czechoslovakia and Belgium would be expected to shuffle off the Schusschnigg way.

FALSE REPORTS ON AID

Some perhaps well-meaning persons are telegraphing false reports to the effect that Spain is now receiving substantial shipments of war materials.

The time has come to quit lying about this, to quit flattering the cowardice that in violation of treaties and international law leaves this heroic people to resist almost bare-handed an invasion by two powerful nations which is only the preliminary to war against all the democratic nations of the world.

Spain is receiving no substantial war materials from abroad, but the Italian-German fascist invders are now murdering thousands of women and children with materials now being bought freely in England, probably in France and certainly in America, where fascist shrewdness plays upon the timidity and confusion of the so-called "liberals" to make our country an accomplice of the brutal totalitarian war of aggression.

It is time also to expose mercilessly those dishonest attacks against the only consistently loyal friend helping Spain as much as geographical separation permits—the Soviet Union.

ATTACKS IN NATION

Every such attack, as contained in The Nation of March 12, is a support for the fascist thesis against cooperation of democratic countries on the ground that the U.S.S.R. is weak and unreliable.

The Nation complains that the U.S.S.R. caught, tried and executed its own Francos and Queipo de Llanos, who confessedly attempted the same insurrection, the same foreign intervention.

Those who complain of this would have slandered the People's Front of Spain in the same way if she had wiped her Francos and Queipo de Llanos off the earth in time.

It is time to clean house in America for united support to this heroic defense of civilization.

As for Spain, she has just begun to fight.

New Nazi and Italian Forces Landed in Spain

(Continued from page 1)

Italian and German planes shipped to Bilbao and Cadiz.

These planes and pilots, Prieto indicated, were responsible for the destruction of Fraga, gateway to Catalonia 98 miles west of Barcelona, and a toll of 1,500 dead Sunday in the most terrible fascist air raid of the war.

The town in the path of the fascists' drive to the Mediterranean along the Saragossa-Lerida highway, was blasted throughout Sunday by relays of fascist planes and at one time more than 160 bombers and fighters flying in perfect formation swept upon it.

The toll was said by eye-witnesses to have included 400 civilians killed and wounded.

The Defense Ministry said the raiding planes were Italian Fiats and tri-motor German Junkers bombers.

FOREIGN FASCIST AID LISTED

The Defense Ministry's charges of recent Italian and German arrivals to swell the fascist ranks included:

Feb. 27.—German aviators left Totow near Stalsund for Spain in two Junker planes, flying direct to Burgos, Spain.

Feb. 28.—Eighty German pilots from Magdeburg flying school flew direct to Portugal from where they entered fascist Spain.

March 19.—Firty-four German aviators left Zeilsdorf airdrome for Spain. Eighty-five men are at present studying at Luneburg aviation school and will be sent to Spain this month.

March 16.—Two hundred and fifty Italian pilots arrived at Seville aboard the steamer Franca Fascio.

The accusations of Italian and German troop and war supplies shipments to Franco included:

March 2.—A ship with German troops arrived at Bilbao, Spain. Before these troops landed persons in the neighborhood of the port were told to leave the district.

March 10.—The Spanish merchant ships Andra Camendi, Uliamendi and Jupitec carrying Italian troops and escorted by two Italian destroyers and several planes arrived at Cadiz.

March 11.—The Italian hospital ship Trieste arrived at Cadiz. These ships brought 4,500 infantry soldiers and 500 Blackshirts, 98 of whom belonged to the Italian air force, 200 artillerymen and some motor car drivers. The ships also disembarked 15 chaser planes, three bombers, five large tanks, 10 small ones, four ambulances, three petrol tankcars, eight large trucks, 300 large aviation bombs, many cases of light artillery pieces, machine-guns and ammunition.

March 16.—The Spanish ship Mar Negro, escorted by the destroyer Velasco and a mine-layer arrived at Cadiz with a load of war material of Italian make.

March 19.—An Italian warship unloaded rifles and ammunition at Cadiz.

March 11.—Two Italian merchant ships arrived at Algeciras with 71 military experts who left for Saragossa.

March 11.—A mailboat brought Moorish troops from Ceuta to Algeciras, including "240 Moroccan boys of 16 who were sent to the front."

The communique said the German ships, which usually use the port of Bilbao and make weekly trips with supplies of artillery and munitions, often are escorted by the German cruiser Emden.

"Many Germans arriving in Spain bring their families," it was asserted, "and in Pasajes (near San Sebastian) alone the families of 300 Germans have disembarked."

It also was charged that seven German military technicians have been assigned to fortify the Franco-Spanish border in Morocco.

Italian naval aid given to Franco was said to have included 20 "Vedette" torpedo boats, 35 feet in leigth with a speed of 52 miles an hour and firing 880-pound torpedoes.

Van Strike Not Aimed at You

—Daily Worker Staff Photos

The moving van strike started yesterday by Local 814 of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters is not intended to cause any hardships to the city's poor if the union can help it, as these pictures show. When Mr. and Mrs. Shulman, of 127 Powell St., Brooklyn, moved yesterday, they did not know they were being moved by a scab truck. A strikers' cruise car intercepted the scab truck. When it was found that Mr. Shulman had unwittingly gone against the interests of the union, strikers took the matter in hand, ordered the scabs out, and moved the family into its new home at First St., Manhattan. Upper photo shows Mrs. Shulman and Mr. Shulman (left, bareheaded), shaking hands with Business Agent Louis Levy of Local 814 while strikers look on. Lower photo shows strikers moving the Shulman family.

10,000 at Union Sq. Rally Urge Embargo End

Jammed Spain Rally Wires Demands to FDR, Blum; Hold Tag Days

"Lift the embargo! For humanity's sake, lift the embargo against Loyalist Spain!"

Banners carried the slogan; 10,000 throats roared that demand in a demonstration which jammed Union Square last night called by the Medical Bureau and North American Committee to Aid Spanish Democracy.

Each speaker echoed the theme that the neutrality act, as at present, constituted and enforced, warred against the democratic government of Spain by preventing the shipment there of supplies, while arms and ammunition are sent to Germany and Italy, for transshipment with the cargoes of tanks, planes, guns and shells from the fascist nations to Franco.

"If the Senators and Congressmen at Washington could only see ahead," declared Vito Marcantonio, himself a former member of the house, "they would know that the fascist nations cannot live except by aggression. If they win in Spain, we'll have to face them on this continent.

"The fight in Spain is our fight. Victory for fascism there would give great impetus to reaction here. We cannot build a wall around America. To keep our boys here, America must use her economic and moral force to keep peace in the world."

SEND CABLE TO BLUM

A cable was dispatched from the meeting to Leon Blum, French Premier, urging immediate opening of the border for the shipment of arms to the Spanish Government. Telegrams went to President Roosevelt, to Secretary of State Hull and to the House and Senate Foreign Affairs Committees, urging that the embargo be lifted and the neutrality act amendment submitted by Congressman O'Connell be passed.

A mighty cheer greeted reference to Roosevelt's apeech on the quarantineing of the aggressor nations. Another, National Commander Paul Burns of the Veterans of the Lincoln Battalion, when he told how American boys were fighting in Spain, "dying for the principles for which our forefathers fought and bled and died."

Other speakers, among them Charles J. Hendley, president of Teachers' Union Local No. 5; Eric Muggeridge, young Britisher who drove a truck under fire for a year in Spain; J. M. Martinez of the United Committee of Spanish organizations; Gordon Sloan; Louise Thompson; Joseph Lash; Sadie Van Veen; Isidore Begun, urged collective action in shops and offices and schools to bring pressure to bear on Washington and to as well raise funds for the Spanish people.

Ask 1 Million Back Pay For Fur Workers

Union Files Suit Against Pay Loss Due to Lockout; Strike Mar 31

More than $1,000,000 in back pay for 3,500 locked out workers was demanded yesterday by the Furriers Joint Council in a petition filed with the State Labor Relations Board charging the Associated Fur Coat and Trimming Manufacturer, Inc. with unfair labor practices.

The petition, filed by Louis B. Boudin, union attorney, charged the Association with discriminating against union members by locking them out. It further charged that the lockout was for the sole purpose of interfering with restraining and coercing fur workers, in violation of the provisions of the State Labor Relations Act.

The union pointed out that the National Labor Relations Board has ruled that a lockout is a means of coercion in the case of the Metropolitan Engineering and Device Corp. The firm was found guilty of conspiring against the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers, CIO, and ordered to reinstate the workers and pay ofr time lost during the lockout.

The lockout, which began Feb. 11, has already deprived the workers of more than $1,000,000 in back pay, the union estimated. Irving Potash, Joint Council manager, expressed confidence that the employers would be ordered to end the lockout, and pay for time lost.

When the agreement between the union and the Association terminated, the union wrote individual letters to each manufacturer offering to continue working under the terms of the old agreement until grievances could be adjusted. On Feb. 3, the Association adopted a resolution ordering a lockout by Feb. 11 and disciplined and expelled those of its members which refused to lock out workers.

Meanwhile, with the lockout entering the seventh week, the union was preparing its machinery for the general strike of 20,000 fur workers scheduled for March 31.

A series of meetings are planned for today and tomorrow to be culminated by a meeting of all active workers on Wednesday at 8 P. M., the eve of the general strike.

Strike of 4,000 Van Operators Halts Moving

AFL Union Strikes for $1.05 Hourly Rates in Bronx, Manhattan

A strike of 4,000 moving van operators in Manhattan and Bronx for higher wages, directed against two small associations, yesterday halted all moving in the two boroughs.

The strike, called by Local 814, International Brotherhood of Teamsters, AFL, against the City Movers and Upper New York Movers associations, was in answer to employers' refusal to grant union demands for $1.05 hourly rates for drivers and 90 cents for helpers with a guarantee of four hours pay on a job.

The strike was completely effective, as pickets operating in automobiles from four strike headquarters, rushed to stop any moving. The union set up quarters at 568 Jackson Ave. in the Bronx, 2005 Amsterdam Ave. in the Washington Heights area, and the Labor Temple on East 84th St. and Beethoven Hall on East Fifth St. in Manhattan.

Large concerns, affiliated with the Movers' and Warehousemen's Association, under contract with the union, were not affected by the strike.

'Crime' Wave Hits B'klyn; Jail 7 Playing on Sunday

One little city playground stood behind a big, high fence at Vermont and Dumont Aves. in East New York last Sunday. Over the top went 25 American boys, who hadn't any other place to play.

A swell time was had by all as they tossed the basketball and batted the soft ball around. A swell time till the Black Maria rolled up and big policemen took them all away.

"Disorderly conduct," said Judge Eitern in Pennsylvania court at Pennsylvania and Liberty Aves. yesterday, when nine boys of 17 to 19 years were arraigned.

Boys shouldn't play ball there on Sunday, he said, as he sent seven boys to prison for two days each and fined two other boys five dollars.

It was worse for one working lad, who was fined. "I can't pay the fine," he pleaded. "I have to work three days to make that much." So he goes to jail, too.

Cops are looking for 18 boys who got summons to appear in court yesterday when the police let them go Sunday.

Maybe they forgot it's a crime to be happy sometimes.

NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN URGED FOR HOUSING

Housing Council Urges Zoning Plan to Raid City of Slums

Effective rehabilitation of slum and blighted areas by planning for the development of New York City's residential areas into self-contained neighborhood communities based on economic and social needs was urged yesterday.

The recommendations were contained in a preliminary report which the Committee on City Planning and Zoning of the Citizens' Housing Council presented at a meeting at the Town Hall Club.

The Committee also recommended immediate and sweeping revision of New York's zoning regulations as completely inadequate for the provision of light and air. The present regulations also make no attempt to control density of population, it was charged.

Carl Feiss of Columbia University and chairman of the Committee presented the summary of the report which was then discussed by Dr. Carol Aronovici of New York University; Albert Mayer, of Borough President Isaacs advisory committee on planning; Frank B. Williams, who helped draft the city's present zoning law; and Electus D. Litchfield, of the City Club.

Donelan A. Phillips, chairman of the City Wide Tenants Council, while agreeing with the report, stressed that planning of low rent housing should receive the major emphasis in any consideration of zoning.

Jules Seitz, executive secretary of the East Side Tenants League, said that whatever zoning plans are considered must include provisions that there be no discrimination against low income groups in the form of segregation of low rent housing.

John F. Sullivan, executive secretary of the New York County American Labor Party appealed to the Committee to cooperate in an examination and evaluation of the plans for zoning the lower East Side.

City Hall Talk Ends CIO-AFL Dock Dispute

CIO Woodworkers, AFL Teamsters to Respect Agreements

A CIO-AFL dispute on the waterfront resulting from the stopping of trucks driven by members of Local 105, International Woodworkers of America, CIO, by Local 282, International Brotherhood of Teamsters, AFL, was ironed out yesterday at a conference at City Hall.

The conference was called by Nathan Frankel, labor adviser to Mayor LaGuardia, following an appeal made by Local 105 which said that the stopping of trucks by AFL teamsters came at a time when the CIO union was in the midst of negotiations for new agreements.

The City Hall meeting resulted in an agreement that neither organization would interfere with the other where one or the other had signed agreements with employers. It was further agreed that in lumber yards where new agreements are to be negotiated, Local 282 would act for the drivers and Local 105 would negotiate for the yard workers.

Present at the conference besides Frankel were Allan S. Haywood, CIO regional director; John O'Rourke, president of Local 282; and Louis Basis, business manager and Sam Nessin, general organizer for the CIO union.

Haywood said at the conclusion of the conference that such mutual cooperation on the part of the AFL and CIO marked a step forward toward establishing the lumber industry of the city on a closed shop basis with decent conditions for the men involved.

High Court Rules Ga. Leaflet Ban Invalid

Injunction Against Distribution of Leaflets Seen as Blow to Freedom of Press; See Ruling as Blow to Hague Ban; Reverse Jail Term

WASHINGTON, March 28.—The Supreme Court today held that a Griffin, Ga., ordinance requiring a permit for the distribution of circulars was "unconstitutional on its face."

The unanimous decision, striking directly at the high-handed action of Mayor Frank Hague and others who have blocked pamphlet distribution, will have far-reaching effect.

The court did not even dignify the Georgia ordinance with a lengthy opinion. "It is invalid on its face," Chief Justice Hughes declared in the decision.

STRIKES AT FREEDOM

"The character of the ordinance," he said, "strikes directly at the freedom of the press by subjecting it to license and censorship.

"Legislation of the type of the ordinance in question would restore the system of license and censorship in its baldest form.

"The liberty of the press is not confined to newspapers and periodicals. It necessarily embraces pamphlets and leaflets. These indeed have been historic weapons in the defense of liberty, as the pamphlets of Thomas Paine and others in our history abundantly attest."

The decision reversed a fifty-day jail sentence imposed on Alama Lovell, a minister of a religious sect known as Jehovah's witnesses.

A. C. L. U. TELLS HAGUE TO TAKE NOTICE

As a result of the Supreme Court decision yesterday holding a leaflet distribution ordinance unconstitutional, Mayor Frank Hague of Jersey City "will have to take notice now," the American Civil Liberties Union declared today, commenting upon the decision.

"Mayor Hague's anti-leaflet distribution ordinance," said Roger Baldwin, Union director, "under which thousands of leaflets have been destroyed and arrests have been made, is plainly unconstitutional. What goes for Jersey City goes for a score of other open-shop towns."

Rep. Bierman Backs Garden Peace Rally

Says Collective Action Can Stop War Without Firing a Shot

Congressman Fred Biermann, of Iowa, author of one of the peace bills to amend the present Neutrality Act, stated that the present war dangers can be averted by the banding together of the world's popular governments "without firing a shot" in a letter to the Committee for Peace Through World Cooperation endorsing the peace rally at Madison Square Garden on Monday, April 4.

"The meeting in Madison Square Garden, April 4th," Biermann's statement says, "is a rational effort to do something constructive toward maintaining peace.

"If the law violators of the world are to cooperate they are certain to win over the peace-loving nations unless the latter get together. My opinion is that the popular governments of the world possess such overwhelming superiority, economically, financially and in man-power, that if they banded themselves together they could bring about just solutions of the world's present grave problems without firing a shot or shedding a drop of blood."

Additional endorsements are pouring in for the Garden meeting, where Dr. Stephen S. Wise, Clark M. Eichelberger, National Director of the League of Nations Association; Congressman Byron N. Scott, Dr. Harry F. Ward, National Chairman of the American League for Peace and Democracy, and James Carey, President of the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers, will speak and Bishop G. Ashton Oldham will preside.

Detroit Police Wield Clubs at UAW Strike

Only 12 Scabs Get By Pickets at Detroit Plant; Few Hurt

(Special to the Daily Worker)

DETROIT, Mich., March 28.—Police wielded clubs and fists against pickets this morning as a strike against a wage cut of 10 cents per hour got under way at the Federal Screw Works here.

Nearly 50 cops, including a mounted division, were on hand to escort scabs through the picket line.

In spite of roughhouse tactics by the police, not more than a dozen scabs got into the plant.

The West Side Local of the UAW, conducting the strike, has issued another call for a mass picket line Tuesday morning at 6:30.

The Federal Screw Works employs 300 workers normally, but at present only 160 were working a few days a week. While the management was refusing to renew its union contract and announcing its wage cut, it released figures showing that it had made a profit of $150,000 in 1937.

As the strike got under way today, Homer Martin, president of the UAW, issued a statement saying that wage cuts would not be accepted by the union. Activities of cops today have given final proof that Mayor Reading intends to use the police department as a strike-breaking agency.

Britain Probes Sabotage of 4 New 'Battle' Bombers

LONDON, March 28 (UP).—The Air Ministry revealed today that electric cables of four new "battle" bombers had been severed after they had passed final inspection.

"The damage appeared to be malicious. Police are investigating," officials said.

The sabotage was discovered at the Fairey Aviation Company's Stockport Works, where several weeks ago two "battle" bombers were found with tiny holes drilled in their gasoline tanks.

British newspapers reported the incident with scare headlines. The aviation correspondent of the Daily Herald said that intelligence officers of the Air Ministry had begun a secret investigation and that the air ministry was considering counter-espionage, including special "workers" to be placed in the plant to watch for sabotage.

Marcantonio Hails High Court Ruling in Negro, Leaflet Cases

Two decisions handed down today by the United States Supreme Court were hailed by Vito Marcantonio, president of the International Labor Defense, as important steps in the fight of labor for its constitutional rights, and in the struggle of the Negro people for economic betterment.

The first decision held unconstitutional an anti-leaflet distribution ordinance in Griffin, Georgia, ruled by inference all other such ordinances. The second decision held that under the Norris LaGuardia act organizations of Negro people could not be enjoined from picketing stores which refused to employ Negroes.

"The decision holding unconstitutional an ordinance in Griffin, Georgia," Mr. Marcantonio said, "requiring distributors of leaflets and circulars to obtain a license from the City Manager, affords a precedent for setting aside all anti-picketing ordinances. Mayor Frank Hague of Jersey City and other labor-baiting officials will, as a result of this case, be less free to interfere with the legitimate activities of labor in presenting its point of view. Chief Justice Hughes held that liberty of the press is not confined in newspapers and periodicals. It necessarily embraces pamphlets and leaflets.' It is these last which labor publishes and distributes.

"The International Labor Defense, in cooperation with trade unions, will immediately open a campaign to secure the repeal or voiding of such ordinances throughout the country; beginning with the infamous ordinance in force in Jersey City.

"The decision in the New Negro Alliance case in Washington, D. C., recognizes the right at last for Negro labor as such to defend its economic interests. It opens the way for a real nation-wide campaign for the right of Negroes to secure employment where they are now discriminated against."

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HOTEL WORKERS CELEBRATE VICTORY OF NEW AGREEMENT

60,000 Workers Covered by Agreement in 160 New York Hotels—Wage Increases of $200,000 a Year Won

By Art Shields

A celebration is going on in New York's billion dollar hotel industry.

It's not in the banqueting halls, but in the little rooms, where the chambermaids sleep four in a room; in the rooms, where the bell boys foregather.

There's no popping of corks as when butter-and-egg men meet for a big time. Just jolly laughter and hand shaking as they think of the better days that are ahead since the Hotel Association of New York signed its first agreement with the union that represents the 60,000 workers in the 160 hotels of its members.

"You don't know what this means to us," said a chambermaid at the New Yorker I talked to when she was coming off shift.

And a waiter at the Pennsylvania said he felt like a human being.

A maid in another hotel told officers of Local 6 of the Hotel and Club Employes Union of the A. F. of L. that negotiated the agreement that she felt free for the first time since she became a hotel worker.

PAID $7.50 A WEEK

The maid, who was getting $7.50 a week, with unpaid overtime too, said:

"You can't ask a boss for something by yourself. They spit on you. Once when I was hurt, I asked for a doctor. 'Do you know what dogs do when they are hurt?' the manager asked me. 'They lick their wounds.'"

"This agreement," said M. J. Obermeier, director of the union's hotel and club drive, "is as historic for hotel workers as the contract signed with the United States Steel Corporation last year was to the workers in the metal industry."

Only a person who has been through the hotel union drives in the past can appreciate the importance of this victory, said Obermeier. For 25 years such drives have cracked up against the powerful opposition of the great hotels. Now at last the workers have achieved the necessary solidarity to win victory."

REFORMS TO FOLLOW

"This success," said President Miguel Garriga of the union, "follows victories in individual hotels and clubs that netted wage increases totalling $200,000 annually for the workers recently.

There's a World's Fair angle to this union victory too. It means that the World's Fair guest rush will not wreck the health of hotel employes as the American Legion convention did. After the Legion meet chambermaids told how they tended twice as many beds, working till they dropped with exhaustion.

The agreement provides machinery for adjustment of grievances. Wages and hours are not immediately affected, but union officials said those reforms will follow.

President's Secretary

With President Roosevelt at Warm Springs, Ga., Foundation is his secretary, Marvin McIntyre, shown in photo helping a little paralysis victim mount her rubber horse in the famous pool.

WITH the UNIONS

A general strike of 2,400 stitchdown workers in the shoe industry loomed yesterday as negotiations between the union and employers broke down.

Local 129 of the United Shoe Workers, CIO, yesterday called a meeting of all members for Thursday night at the Amalgamated Temple, 21 Arlon Place, Brooklyn, where the strike vote will be taken.

Conferences between union officials and representatives of the Stitchdown Manufacturers Association on Saturday broke off when employers refused union requests for a reduction in hours from 45 to 40, and the establishment of a $13 weekly minimum. Employers demanded that the union change the expiration date of the contract from March 31 to a time when the industry is slack, which the union refused.

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ELECTRICAL WORKERS STRIKE WIRE FIRM

The United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers, Local 1206 is conducting a strike against the Alpha Wire Co., 50 Howard St., manufacturers of wire products and supply kits, for higher wages and union recognition.

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FOOD CO. LOCKS OUT UNION SALESMEN

Salesmen employed by the Crescent Food Products Co., distributors of Weston biscuits, have been locked out for joining the United Wholesale Food Employes Union, CIO.

The 14 workers were locked out from Nov. 8 to Jan. 1 when the firm finally signed an agreement. When the contract was in effect for six weeks, the firm again locked out the salesmen.

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TRANSFER GAS WORKERS FROM UMW TO UWO

Transfer of four locals of gas workers in the New York utility field from District 50, United Mine Workers to the Utility Workers Organizing Committee, CIO, has been arranged by both unions, it was announced yesterday.

Local 111 of the organizing committee said the four locals include employes of Consolidated Edison at Hunts Point and Astoria; Brooklyn Union Gas, Brooklyn Borough Gas and Kings County Lighting Co. Final details of the transfer await approval of the four locals' membership.

BAY STATE LABOR LEAGUE MAPS DRIVE TO BEAT GOV. HURLEY

O'Connell Warns Progressives to Unite Forces to Defeat Fascism in U. S.—Berle Talks on Tariff Tricks of New England Tories

(Special to the Daily Worker)

BOSTON, March 28.—Massachusetts Labor's Non-Partisan League today set out to achieve the task laid down by Rep. Jerry O'Connell at the league's state convention yesterday: the election of Massachusetts congressmen to reinforce the ranks of progressives in Congress.

The fighting Montana Congressman received a thundering ovation when he called upon the progressive forces of the Bay State to unite all forces to preserve democracy and defeat fascism in the United States.

Adolph A. Berle, Jr., assistant secretary of state, warned the delegates against New England reactionaries who use the tariff policies of the administration in an attempt to discredit the administration.

CITES TORY SABOTAGE

Reciprocal trade agreements may well mean the salvation rather than the ruin of New England industry, Dr. Berle said.

"The decline in New England began," he said, "when our protective tariffs caused retaliation elsewhere, and when a gradual process of trade strangulation began to be general throughout the world. . . ."

"The President has asked me to say that the government has the interests of New England workers just as much in mind in connection with the British trade agreement as it has in other similar agreements; that no one needs to fear that he will be sacrificed in that agreement."

Rep. Robert Allen of Pennsylvania described the sabotage of reactionaries in Congress of relief legislation and described the condition of the poverty-stricken miners in the bituminous fields of his state.

A unity slate of officers was elected including Alan Sweezy, American Federation of Teachers, chairman; Joseph Salerno, Textile Workers Organizing Committee, first vice-chairman; Walter Risley, Brockton Brotherhood, Independent Shoe Workers Union, second vice-chairman; Val Burote, TWOC, secretary, and Philip Kramer, treasurer.

A comprehensive resolution supporting Roosevelt's legislative program reorganization bill and Roosevelt and Secretary of State Cordell Hull's efforts for world peace was enthusiastically passed.

Other resolutions endorsed the Lundeen bill on social security, the state youth act, relief of farmers, elimination of abuses of state compensation law, the child labor amendment, minimum wages, a bill aiding industrial insurance agents, against forced labor of welfare recipients, against teachers oath law, against biennial legislative sessions, against Gov. Hurley's proposed censorship of text books.

There were 334 regular and fraternal delegates representing 162,569 without duplication, 26,060 from fraternal organizations. A. F. of L. unions were represented.

Speakers stressed need of defeating Gov. Hurley in the Democratic primaries warned against the danger of Republican leaders who fight all progressive measures.

Alliance to Open Sessions at Hippodrome

April 7 Meeting Will Hear Trade Union Leaders Speak

A mass meeting at the Hippodrome, Thursday, April 7th, with outstanding national labor and progressive leaders as speakers will feature the opening of the New York City three-day annual convention of the Workers Alliance.

Alliance branches are now engaged in discussion on the organization's policies and proposals for the convention. Social Welfare, the Alliance semi-monthly newspaper devoted four pages to the pre-convention discussion.

"Our organization faces our Second Annual Convention with greater numbers and greater strength," the call for the convention declares." Our organization is more solidly knit together, more unified. This is the unity we must continue to maintain when all around us the attacks of reaction grow increasingly sharp."

MAIN TASKS SUMMARIZED

The call summarized the main tasks before the Alliance in the fight for expansion of WPA, higher relief standards, and for making the Alliance a stronger factor in community life.

Representation for each branch at the convention will be based on the dues payments for the months of December, January and February, starting with one delegate for 25, two for 50, three for 100 and four delegates for branches with 100 or over.

"We shall be judged by our participation in the convention. No organization is better able to do a job for the unemployed than the Workers Alliance. The Alliance has a long history of struggle against unemployment and the convention can be the rallying for an ever more effective struggle than in the past," the call declares.

TODAY'S NEWS IN BRIEF

Postpone Whitney Sentence Until Apr. 11, Continue Probe

The sentencing of Richard Whitney, former president of the New York Stock Exchange, who pleaded guilty to a charge of grand larceny, was postponed today until April 11.

The Securities and Exchange Commission had asked the two weeks extension to permit it to continue its own inquiry into the failure of Richard Whitnes Co. with liabilities that may total millions.

U. S. Labor Dept. Asks N. J. For 2,250 CCC Enrollees

TRENTON, N. J., March 28 (UP).—Commissioner William J. Ellis of the State Department of Institutions and Agencies announced today that the United States Labor Department had asked New Jersey to supply 2,250 enrollers for the Civilian Conservation Corps during the coming three months.

Liquor Legal in Georgia For First Time in 22 Years

ATLANTA, Ga., March 28 (UP).—Liquor was sold legally in Georgia today for the first time in 22 years.

Dealers were licensed in Dougherty County, in Southwest Georgia, the first county to vote against prohibition under terms of a local option act passed by the state legislature. The Dougherty County majority for liquor was 8 to 1.

Passaic Shoe Workers to Vote in NLRB Poll

WASHINGTON, March 28 (UP).—The National Labor Relations Board announced today a collective bargaining election will be held before April 5 among employes of the Atlantic Footwear Co., Inc., Passaic, N. J.

Workers will choose between the United Shoe Workers of America, a Committee for Industrial Organization Affiliate, and the Boot and Shoe Workers Union of the American Federation of Labor.

Indict 15 Officials Of Ohio Utility Corp.

COLUMBUS, O., March 28 (UP).—Fifteen officials of the Ohio Fuel Gas Co. and its parent, the Columbia Gas & Electric Corp. of New York, were indicted by the Franklin County Grand jury today.

The indictment included two counts of rendering false bills to a municipality, two counts of obtaining money under false pretenses, and one perjury count.

Treasury Reduces Price For Foreign Silver 1c an Oz.

WASHINGTON, March 28 (UP).—The Treasury today reduced the price it pays for foreign silver in New York from 45 to 44 cents an ounce, first change in this quotation in almost two years.

The action followed suspension of Mexican silver purchases.

McCrory Hit by Fire

CAMDEN, N. J., March 28 (UP).—Fire of undetermined origin caused damage of "upwares of $50,000" at the J. G. McCrory department store today. Three firemen were overcome by smoke but were treated and revived.

Close Vote In Paterson Dyers Union

Independents Place 7 in Hotly Contested Poll in Local 1733

PATERSON, N. J., March 28.—Seven candidates endorsed by the independent progressives were elected in one of the most hotly contested elections in the history of Local 1733, Federation of Dyers, Finishers and Bleachers.

Charles Vigorito, president of the local since 1935 was defeated by Anthony Ammorato for the office by a margin of only 113. The vote stood 2,439 against his 2,336. The independents made no endorsements for the presidency.

John Lydig, independent, polled 2,640 votes for vice-president against Ammirato's running mate, Anthony Scarpelli's 1,104 and 348 for John Tovano, who ran without endorsement.

Mariana R. Fidone, Ammirato candidate for secretary - treasurer won the election by 2,292 against 2,199 votes for George Mangarelli, who was on Vigorito's slate and endorsed by the independents. Ralph La Pera, assistant secretary-treasurer, on Vigorito's slate and endorsed by independents, won by 2,278 against 1,849 for Ammirato's candidate.

All three candidates endorsed for business agents by the independents won. Tony Ventura, who was on Ammirato's slate, polled 2,489; Jack Laudi and James Clark, both on the Vigorito slate polled 2,147 and 1,839 votes respectively.

The nine winning candidates for the executive board were Frank O'Neil, Louis Cappucci, Thomas Perone, Harold Nyenhouse, James Felone, Charles Lazzio—all on the Vigorito slate, the last two endorsed by the independents—and Joseph Ventura, Frank Pagano and Tony Spina who ran with Ammirato.

Defeat of Vigorito, who was usually elected with a heavy majority indicated a general dissatisfaction in the local of 10,000 members with the administration especially its responsibility in encouraging a factional situation in the union.

Evicted—Family Moves To Reading City Hall

Other Families May Join Machineries If They Are Put Out of Homes—Father of 10 Refuses to Go to Poor House

READING, Pa., March 28 (UP).—The Berks County Public Assistance Board suspended all activities at the old Reading city hall today.

READING, Pa., March 28 (UP).—The 10 Machemer children made a playground of City Hall corridors today and their father, evicted from his house for non-payment of rent, announced the family had moved in to stay.

"This isn't the first time I've been evicted," Charles Machemer said, "but it's going to be the last. We're not moving out of City Hall until the Relief Board finds me a home with the rent paid for one year in advance."

Cots for the 12 members of the family had been sent up in the office of Edwin Moore, acting director of the Berks County Public Assistance Board. They were furnished by the Reading Haxpayers' Protective League which expects several other families to join the Machemers. Just outside Moore's office a long table has been set up on which the Machemers eat.

"I understand they are intending to move the relief headquarters up to Red Men's hall this week," Machemer said. "If they do, we'll go right along with them."

Machemer, who is about 40, has been on relief rolls intermittently since 1932. He formerly was employed at the Reading Knob Works.

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A Stirring Plea for Spain In A Crucial Hour

• A photograph of a small boy—perhaps eight years old—lying face downwards, arms outstretched, on a pile of stones. Beneath the picture, this caption:

"He's not asleep. He didn't stumble and fall. You know better. You've seen the newsreels. You know what happened. Franco passed over. Or more explicitly, one of Mussolini's fascist eagles. . . . What can we do about it? *Nada.* Nothing. The boy is dead. Just take a picture, and Robert Capa has taken it. Then carry him home to his parents. That's all. . . . But thinking how you can't do anything, maybe you will remember the Neutrality Act. That's the one which lets Franco kill this boy with an American bomb but keeps the Republic from protecting him with an American plane. Think it over, America."

This is but one page from the April issue of Fight—organ of the American League for Peace and Democracy. The entire number is devoted to the struggle in Spain, and in our opinion it is the finest issue put out to date by this generally excellent magazine. The photos are among the best that have yet appeared on Spain, while the articles—especially George Seldes' piece on Franco's "General" Carney of the New York Times—are first-rate.

In these crucial hours when the people of Spain are giving one of the most stirring examples of heroism that history has ever known, the wide circulation of this issue of Fight can play a great part in winning the assistance that Spanish democracy requires before it is too late.

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Order of U. S. Treasury Against Mexico Drips Oil

• Henry Morgenthau's order, in the name of the U. S. Treasury Department, to stop the purchase of Mexican silver April 1 has the crude smell of oil about it.

Clearly, no time has been lost by Standard Oil, the Royal Dutch Shell and the other oil companies, in venting their fury against the Mexican people.

This open act of reprisal, unless stopped by the American people, can have evil consequences for American democracy as well as the Mexican people.

We wish to call attention to the indecent and dangerous example of the Washington administration in intervening and in acting so swiftly on the issue of the robber oil trusts versus the Mexican people.

On March 25 the New York Times, conveying the demands of the American and British oil magnates, declared editorially:

"The least Washington should do, and do promptly, is to serve notice on President Cardenas that silver purchases are to be discontinued."

No sooner demanded than done. On March 27 the U. S. Government issued its order for financial sabotage of Mexico. And when the U. S. treasury issued that order it was yielding to the pernicious pressure of the most reactionary American imperialists and their fascist agents throughout Latin America.

Behind this whole business can be seen the fine fascist hand of the American diplomatic Tory, Sumner Welles and the reactionary cabal he heads in the U. S. State Department.

But however this dastardly deed against the Mexican people may have been manipulated, unless its destructive purposes are immediately rescinded, it threatens to destroy the entire progressive result of President Roosevelt's good neighbor policy in the nations to the south.

This step, taken purely in the interest of the billionaire oil magnates in the U. S. and Great Britain, will work to the detriment of the American people as well as to our Mexican neighbors.

It is a blunt and foul act of revenge. It is an attempt to bludgeon Mexico into acceptance of the illegal terms of the oil trusts. It is holding a gun of silver to the temple of the Mexican people. It is a move to make the American Government an accomplice of the law-violating oil interests.

The blood-sucking oil trusts have trampled on the laws of Mexico. They have tyrannically refused to abide by the decisions of Mexico's constitution, of her legislation, and of her courts. That is why their properties were taken over, under due process of Mexican law, and steps taken to indemnify the oil magnates.

Measures of financial pressure applied to Mexico can be of service solely to the oil monopolies which gouge the American people as ruthlessly as they exploit and threaten the Mexican people.

By halting the purchase of Mexican silver so abruptly the Roosevelt administration is yielding to imperialist-fascist intrigues, to the plotters of fascist uprising against the Mexican people will be in a less advantageous democracy was economic and financial sabotage.

Economic and financial sabotage and disruption are the stock-in-trade of those who scheme to organize a fascist coup d'etat. By trying to engender economic chaos the oil trusts together with the Nazis and Gold Shirts of Mexico hope to prepare the ground for a fascist armed attack on the lawful and progressive government of Mexico.

Furthermore, the immediate economic consequence of this high-handed measure blocking the sale of Mexican silver in the U. S. will redound to the detriment of the American people by cutting off a much-needed market at this period of economic crisis. With inflation forced on Mexico, the Mexican people will be a less advantageous position to purchase American goods. American workers by the thousands will lose their jobs as a result. And this is done to assist the oil trusts of Great Britain and the United States.

Every measure taken by the U. S. Government to aid reaction and fascism, in the form of the imperialist oil trusts, is a blow struck at democracy in this country.

To continue to be a good neighbor of Mexico's, the Roosevelt administration should stop yielding to the demands of Standard Oil and the Royal Dutch Shell. The action taken on silver is nothing less than collaboration with the British Tories and the American oil trusts, the financiers of fascism in Mexico.

The best interests of the American people and the furtherance of good relations with the democratic forces of Latin America demand that the oil-aiding treasury order be rescinded at once. Washington should be informed by the American people that this government should not act as the bullying agent of the fascist-inciting oil trusts. The U. S. Treasury Department is not a superior court in the service of the oil trusts to pass on the just laws of the people of Mexico.

If this action is carried through it will be in the nature of revenge for the oil barons.

As good neighbors the American people, the trade unions, all organizations who stand for peace and democracy, should demand that the arbitrary order dictated by the oil trusts be cancelled forthwith.

Yielding to the fascist threats of the American and British oil companies must stop.

The democratic people and organizations of the United States must express in no uncertain terms their full support and aid to the democratic government of Mexico and the Mexican people. American democracy must not yield to fascist intrigues and pressure.

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Those 'Poor' Railroads

• Granted a freight rate increase which will swell profits that are already enormous, the railroads of the country are now trying to put through a wage cut of at least 10 per cent.

At the same time, they are attempting to push forward the consolidation of their systems so that 200,000 more workers will be added to the ranks of the unemployed—in addition to the 1,132,000 who have been squeezed out of the industry since 1920.

The cry that the new rate increase was not enough and that wage cuts are now necessary, is the kind of brazen lie that we have come to expect from the railroads. In 1937, these roads showed a total net operating income of $590,180,000 for distribution to Wall St. bond and stock holders. If the new rate that has just been granted, had been in effect during 1937, the net operating income would have been $829,000,000 instead of $590,180,000.

No wonder that the mass of railroad workers are up in arms against further cuts and lay-offs through consolidations, and are pressing for passage of the Crosser Six-Hour Day and the full crew bills at this session of Congress!

The heads of the railroad unions have stated that they will fight against the proposed cut. It is to be hoped that they will stick to their guns this time better than on similar occasions in the past. Moreover, the railroad workers will want to make sure if the proposed slash is withdrawn, that it is not done by agreement of the union leaders to drop the fight for the six-hour day and the full crew bills and against consolidation lay-offs. Such "trading," unfortunately, is not unknown in the railroad industry.

The convention of the Railway Employes Department of the A. F. of L. in Chicago on April 4, gives the lodges an excellent chance to press for a firm stand on these vital questions.

In the situation confronting the railroad workers today, the red-baiting campaign launched recently by President Cashen of the Switchmen's Union against William Z. Foster, chairman of the Communist Party, is certainly not helpful. For the railroad workers need the utmost solidarity and cooperation within their ranks.

CRUSH THE SERPENT *by Gropper*

AN EDITORIAL

ANTI-SEMITISM IS AN ATTACK ON THE FOUNDATIONS OF DEMOCRACY

• The anti-Semitic barbarities committed by the Nazi hangmen in Austria and Germany have their filthy propagandistic backwash in the United States.

In an attempt to "defend" the degenerate Jew-baiting sadism of fascism in Europe, the friends of the fascist dictators in the United States are attempting to extend this practice of the foulest days of the Dark Ages and of the most corrupt Czarist barbarism to this country.

Knowing that the overwhelming majority of the American people were appalled by Hitler's rape of Austria, the fascist enemies of American democracy here believe they can imitate their blood-lusting Fuehrer Hitler and his bellowing accomplice Goering by trying to whip up anti-Semitic hatreds in the United States.

By their anti-Semitic poisons the fascists, concealed or otherwise, are trying to destroy the very foundations of American liberty. This country was actually born in the world as a land of political asylum for refugees from tyrannical political and religious persecution. American democracy was based on a struggle against European tyrants of the 18th Century. American democracy today can be refreshed by stamping out anti-Semitism and by granting political asylum to the Jews and to all anti-Fascists persecuted by the enemies of democracy by the tyrants of this day, the fascist dictators.

Our country has a long and glorious tradition of granting refuge to those who have been tormented by the worst foes of democracy.

The first step in preserving this great heritage of the United States is to root out, to expose, to give no quarter to and to fight vigorously, every sign of anti-Semitism no matter how small, how insignificant, inconsequential it may appear on the surface.

Those who vent their rage and their venom against the Jews, aping Hitler and the fascist scoundrels everywhere, are the agents of the would-be destroyers of American democracy. They do not have the courage to come out directly against the cherished achievements of American liberty but by their Jew-baiting they hope to arouse unreasoned prejudices that redound not to the injury of the Jewish people alone but primarily to the safeguards of American democracy.

To allow anti-Semitism to grow however minutely, to show its ugly visage on any occasion, is to permit the infiltration of some of the most poisonous fascist germs which go to attack and to destroy the foundations on which the United States is built.

Jew-baiting is un-American, undemocratic, and is one of the most degenerate, evil signs of fascism.

A Clear Voice in Penn. Elections--Communist Party Drafts Platform

By Carl Reynolds
(Daily Worker Pittsburgh Bureau)

PITTSBURGH, Pa., March 28.—I have just witnessed a four-star show of social significance.—a drama of the new life blossoming in the steel, mining, railroad towns in the heart of industrial America, Western Pennsylvania.

It was born in struggle, cultivated despite reaction, strengthened by sacrifice and crowned with success by the Communist Party. The actors were the cream of America's working class, leaders of unions, leaders of their communities, mass figures in their towns, the guiding lights of their mines, mills and factories.

They made history at a District Conference of the Communist Party of Western Pennsyvania over the week-end. The only clear, united voice which has been heard amid the confusion brought about by the tri-cornered fight for the control of the State in the coming primaries, came out of this Communist Party conference.

TO DEFEAT G. O. P.

"In order to preserve the gains made by labor when they got rid of the Mellons, Grundys and Pews, and to go forward, we must defeat the REPUBLICAN PARTY AT ALL COSTS," the conference decided.

"The Communist Party is becoming more mature, more conscious of its tasks and entrenched in the community life of their sections," Jack Stachel, member of the Central Committee, told the delegates.

REPORTS OF OTHERS

Listen to the breath-taking report of a steel worker in Ellwood City, a small town of 12,000, and you will understand what Comrade Stachel meant. The delegate had just returned from the Party Builders Congress and joined the Party three months ago.

"Since I came from the Party Builders Congress, we have added 10 new members, all steel workers. That means that we are going to function in the election and make Ellwood City a town of a different type. Before I joined the Party, the C. I. O. was dead. Now it's beginning to function again."

Here are some other reports:

Steel Worker, Duquesne:—"We are building Labor's Non-Partisan League. We have Labor Campaign Committees in each district. At the present time, we have 800 members in the Labor League."

Steel Worker, Farrell, Pa.: "The way we get new Party cards signed is when we see a fellow worker getting mistreated, no relief, evicted, we help 'em out and then tell him what the Party is. We stopped an eviction."

Miner, Jeannette, Pa.: "I wish all our comrades would write in to the United Mine Workers Journal about their conditions. The paper welcomes articles."

Steel Worker, Johnstown, Pa.: "It's the Party that's doin' it. We're building Labor's Non-Partisan League. They had a chart in the 'C. I. O. News' on how to do it, so we made bigger copies on unused wall paper and taught the workers the secret."

Railroad Worker, New Castle, Pa.: "For the first time in the history of New Castle, we got most of the crafts together talking about problems which concern them all. We had a splendid conference a week ago on the legislation for the railroads."

NEGRO REPORTS

Section Organizer, Allegheny Valley—"They used to call us the Black Valley. Since the Party started to work in earnest, we are known as the Red Valley."

"A Negro Comrade, Washington, Pa.: — "My people hasn't yet learned that they've played an important part in the struggle for freedom. If it hadn't been for my people, England would still have had its claws in the United States. . . . I want to say for Gifford Pinchott, of the Republican Party, that I'm for sending him to hell. He starved me and my wife in 1932 when I asked for more relief."

Waitress, Pittsburgh: — "I was present at the Chicago Massacre. I saw what Fascism means. We must educate our people. We do not take the Daily Werker seriously."

Abe Strauss, Pittsburgh: "We must destroy Fascism within our midst. The Silver Shirts, the Nazi Bund and the Ku Klux Klan. They tried to have Fritz Kuhn speak here and we prevented them."

Mike Stanovich, miner, Renton, Pa.: This conference is something new in the history of the Party. Something inspiring and encouraging and should move our work quicker. Long Live the Communist Party."

PLATFORM ADOPTED

A Party platform for the coming elections was adopted. It called for unity of all the people of Pennsylvania against reaction as represented in the Republican Party.

Delegates from the mines pledged to recruit 500 miners within four months. Delegates from the steel mills pledged 100 steel workers in two months. The rally approved a report for the publishing of a paper for steel workers and a special mining section for the Sunday Worker every month. The Party pledged to recruit "one per cent of the steel workers and miners."

Other success noted at the rally was that literature sales in the Pittsburgh District had jumped in two months from about $175 a month to over $500.

Martin Young, secretary of the Western Pennsylvania District delivered a report on the main issues before the workers of the Keystone State.

"Some may not be fully convinced of it. But in the foreground of all our actions, must be the danger of world war," Comrade Young warned. "We must build the labor movement, strengthen it. But all this is threatened by war and fascism, which will wipe it out. Fascism is like a disease. It must be quarantined."

Pat Toohey, Eastern Pennsylvania secretary of the Party, predicted the amalgamation of the two sections of the State into one district in the near future as soon as the rolls of the Party reach 5,000.

John J. Ballam, member of the Central Committee, urged the delegates to "prepare yourself for leadership by studying, reading and learning the fundamental works of scientific socialism."

World Front

By HARRY GANNES

• Wall Street would like to crucify Mexico on a cross of silver.

The imperialist press here is quite frank in terming the U. S. Treasury's order cancelling the purchase of Mexican silver after April 1, "retaliation" or "reprisal" against Mexico's nationalization of the oil industry after the oil trusts flouted the laws of Mexico and verged on open rebellion against the Cardenas government. They know that the Roosevelt administration has yielded to the demands of the oil trusts and other imperialists.

The British Tories and the 200 rich families of France always begin an attack on the People's Front cabinets of France by manipulating a monetary crisis. The weapon used by the economic royalists in the U. S. to intensify the very crisis which they helped to precipitate is financial sabotage.

All the more dangerous is the treasury's step by financial blackmail to try to force Mexico to accept the bill and other demands presented by the British and American oil magnates. This step taken in behalf of J. D. Rockefeller, Jr., and other American oil billionaires and Deterding inserests in England will work to the injury of the American people.

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If the silver offensive has validity at all or is successful in its end it can provide ammunition only to the fascist enemies of Mexican democracy as well as of the freedom and peace of the people of the U. S.

The Silver Purchase Act under which the Treasury Department took its anti-Mexican step was originally passed to bolster up the silver industry in the United States by keeping prices up. The silver reprisals against Mexico will now have their repercussions in intensifying the economic crisis in the U. S.

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There is no doubt that if the oil magnates have their way, the blow of ending silver purchases can be a powerful attack. Mexico produces one-third of the world's silver, or about 88,000,000 ounces yearly, which is about twice as much as is produced in the U. S. The U. S. since the Silver Purchase Act has bought about 60,000,000 ounces of Mexican silver yearly—plus an addition of 35,000,000 ounces in bulk accumulated last year in the coffers of the Central Bank of Mexico. The price paid for this silver averaged about 45 cents an ounce, which was below the 65 cents paid to American silver producers. The 45-cent rate was considerably higher, however, than the open market world rate. Most of the Mexican silver mines are owned by American capitalists.

The first effect of excluding Mexican silver will be to bring pressure against Mexico's currency and thereby force inflation. President Cardenas of Mexico, to mobilize the people against any panic which this measure was actually designed to induce, declared:

"We are making an effort to devise such plans as may be necessary to avoid harmful reprecussions to this voluntary determination taken by the U. S. government."

What can the Mexican government do? Among other things: (1) Purchase the silver produced from the American mine owners and pay for it in paper pesos at a fixed rate; (2) coin silver pesos for general circulation to keep up the value of Mexican currency; (3) find new markets for the sale of its silver, a rather difficult thing to do now.

American bankers insist that Mexico cannot find new markets which would purchase silver at a rate that could keep the mines going.

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If the mines do close, U. S. silver mine owners will be hit. But they work on the theory that it will hurt the Mexican people more and probably will lay a broader economic basis, through crisis and disruption, for the fascist uprise being plotted by the American oil magnates and other imperialists and fascists against Mexico.

President Cardenas, refuting the rumors spread by the American capitalist press, has declared Mexico rejects the offers of Japan and other fascist powers to purchase Mexican oil. Does the administration in yielding to the pressure of the U. S. oil trusts by its blow at Mexican finances want to blackjack Mexico into selling its oil to the enemies of world peace?

The immediate effect of the Treasury's silver offensive against Mexico will be to aggravate the economic crisis in this country. This retaliatory action will lop off an important market for American goods. Its effect will be equivalent to raising a huge tariff wall in Mexico against the importation of American manufactured commodities. As a result, Mexico will cut down on its purchases from the U. S. American factories formerly supplying Mexican needs will close down. American workers along with Mexican workers will be thrown out of work.

The only people who can benefit from the Treasury's decision are the enraged oil trusts who want to force the Mexican people to give up the oil industry or pay a pound of flesh. The fascist enemies of the U. S. throughout Latin America stand to gain by Morgenthau's step.

Everything should be done in the U. S. to force cancellation of this outrageous order and to call on the Roosevelt administration to halt its yielding to the pressure of the imperialist enemies of Mexico and the economic royalist foes of the American people.

Letters From Readers

'Isolationism Must Answer for Happenings in Europe'—

Winchester Center, Conn.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Has anyone pointed out how responsible America is for the resignation of Eden and the coup in Austria? It seems to me that our isolation policy, forced on the government by the industrialists, the big press and by those idealists who, sincere though they are, still cling to the outworn peace theories of the 1920's; the Charles Beards and Bruce Blivens, at least in part effected the failure of Eden's ideas of collective security, the emergence of Lord Halifax's policy.

England during the past year, and especially after Roosevelt's Chicago speech, has been swinging toward unified action with America. It was our isolationism that weakened Eden and gave strength to the Tories. And it is our "liberals," our Hearsts and duPonts who must answer for what is happening in Central Europe.

ROBERT McGREGOR.

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Printing of Trials 'Outstanding Public Service'—

New York City.

Editor, Daily Worker:

It is really difficult to fully express my gratitude to you for the complete printing by you of the recent Russian trials.

You have done an outstanding price of public service, and prizes distributed for such service should go to you for bringing into the light of day the hidden plottings of the fascists against world peace.

A NEW MEMBER.

Change the World

Speeding Old Ballads Up to Seventy Miles A Minute

by MIKE GOLD

IN GEORGIA. A hot little eating shack along the road. A radio was moaning, groaning and hi-de-ho-ho-ing while we consumers downed our pork and grits.

"Dawg gone! Listen to that gal!" said a young truck-driver in blue overalls. He lifted his head to attention like a setter.

"She's a-jazzin' the 'Bonnie Banks of Loch Lomond'! Ain't that great!"

"It smells bad to me," said an old, long-nosed, toothless grouch beside him at the counter. "They're ruinin' the ballets my mammy used ter sing. What fur does anyone need to jazz an old ballet? Weren't they sweet and right as they were? Yuh ain't improvin' an old song like that by rushing her through at seventy miles an hour."

And so an argument began in that hot, mouldy shack by the road. Let me confess that I agreed with the old-timer who didn't like to hear "Loch Lomond," "Babrabry Allen," and all those other fine old ballads, scrambled up into new cacophonious patterns by the tin-pan artists of Broadway. It is, I believe, about as artistic and intelligent as the work of those subway artists who draw moustaches on the lovely girls in the poster ads.

Jazz has its own folk-quality in such ballads as the "St. Louis Blues." But it is decadent and degenerate when it substitutes, for such originality, the speeding-up and distorting of old classics. Such distortion is not a form of wit and originality.

Mutilation of this kind appeals to a large group of nitwits who believe that anything new is necessarily good. They confuse progress with the latest style. It is true that the world progresses with time, but within the great cycle of progress there are smaller cycles where the latest thing is not progress but degeneration.

As capitalism continues its decline, we see such symptoms of degeneration everywhere. Some of my readers must surely remember when Americans could be aroused over the rights of small nations and of national minority groups: Ireland, Belgium, the Jews, etc.; but today, when one dares to speak out, Professor Beard and Mr. Villard are lying in wait to smack you down as a "war-maker." Nobody must do anything against Hitler or Mussolini, is the core of our new American "liberalism." I think this is not progress, certainly, in any nation's idealism.

We attended a wrestling bout last night: the new-fangled wrestling. It is all a frame-up, of course. The grunters and burpers rehearse their roles in advance. In each bout one wrestler fights clean; he is cast as a radiant young hero. The other guy is cast as a villain; he gouges, bites, tries to dig the other fellow's eyes out, strangles him with the rope, etc.

The thing is nauseating to watch, even though you know it is a frame-up, for it is the filthiest, meanest imitation of sadism. Not a bit of the real wrestling science that made the old bouts a pleasure to watch. Just raw, third-degree butchery.

"It's what the public wants," say the managers; but one of the wrestlers told me receipts are falling off. The public is fed up.

Column Left

Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde Both Deplore Unions

by HARRISON GEORGE

WELL, folks, Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde have both decided, as foretold by this column, that a "deplorable situation" exists in San Francisco.

Dr. Jekyll, being the "Committee of 43 (San Francisco employers), met with Mr. Hyde, being the "Associated Farmers," at Sacramento last Friday, and did their "deploring" together. Both wept copiously over a non-existent "menace" of CIO threats to refuse to handle wool sheared by non-union shearers.

"The meeting," said a circumspectly written item, "was informal and private." Why all this secrecy? Could it be possible that these "farmers" of the Bank of America and the Waterfront Employers' Association could be sitting on the same nest of conspiracy against the San Francisco waterfront unions?

That is quite unthinkable, isn't it? (Yes, it isn't!) But the announcement that Dr. Jekyll (the Committee of 43—why 43, when Alabama only counted 40?) invited Mr. Hyde (the Associated "Farmers"), to "resume discussions" this week in San Francisco, smells of a put-up-job.

For, behold, the San Francisco "delegation" began its maneuvers. Dr. Jekyll, pointing at Mr. Hyde, declared: "The farmers' (?) case was clearly presented."

In fact, the "farmers'" so-called "case" could not stand on either leg. The Associated "Farmers" had raised no end of a row about nothing at all, the handling of wool. Mr. Harry Bridges had assured Roger Lapham, of the Waterfront Employers, that the CIO would handle any wool. So where was the "case?"

Not having any case, the Associated "Farmers", nevertheless, manfully "presented it clearly." This marvelous "clarity" of Mr. Hyde was noted by Dr. Jekyll, who continued by saying:

"The farmers through actual experience are finding it very difficult to get their products into San Francisco and handled there." And so this farmer boycott of San Francisco.

Umm. . . . No doubt. We haven't noted this ourselves. But this has nothing to do with the waterfront unions, Messrs Dr. Jekyll and Dr. Hyde. This has to do with a most pernicious habit of making profits by San Francisco corporations and firms. For instance:

An Easterner arrives at the Ferry Building. He has heard that California is a land of oranges. He has had a glimpse of palm trees and feels like enjoying California products. (Listen, you orange growers!) When he struggles through the assorted banditti, he confronts a "City Orange Grove." A fancy stall with a couple of oranges in sight, and a substitute for orange juice called "orange drink"—made out of god knows what, but not oranges.

Let him hunt the length of Market Street from that Ferry Building to Twin Peaks, and he'll find not one "open face" fruit juice stand where orange juice, real orange juice, will be retailed to him.

If he tarries at the Ferry Building, he's no luckier. The Southern Pacific, which finances the Associated "Farmers," isn't interested in "handling farmers' products." But if our tourist will pay 21 cents and get inside the eastbound ferry waiting room, he can get canned orange juice—and FROM FLORIDA! When he does find an orange, it is costlier than in New York.

So it is with vegetables and other fruits. California farmers raise a wealth of vegetables, but just try to get them in the ordinary restaurant! The 35 and 40-cent restaurants where the bulk of the people eat. They give you a meat serving. But they've never heard that there are anything but potatoes in the vegetable kingdom!

Lettuce, cheap and good in the markets, is here weighed out on apothecary's scales. Avocados, eggplant, asparagus, cauliflower, Italian squash, are yet undiscovered in the average beanery of San Francisco. If found, they cost from 20 to 30 cents a serving, whereas in New York they cost 15 cents.

If the harmonious pair, Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde, would have farm products "handled" in San Francisco, let them get busy right at home.

T.V.A. on W.P.A.

With the T.V.A. once again prominent in the headlines, the WPA Federal Theatre production, "Power," a dramatization of electricity from its discovery down to the present day T.V.A., is assuming a new and more important timeliness.

To keep the play up to date, the latest editions of the newspapers are carefully read by dramatist Arthur Arent several hours before each curtain. Important new developments in the T.V.A. are studied and immediately incorporated into the performance that same evening.

"Power" is currently holding forth at the 49th Street Theatre for its second engagement because of the great public demand.

Progressive Education for Delinquents

Inmates of Hawthorne Ceder-Knolls School Display Fine Talent In Current W.P.A. Art Exhibit

By Louise Mitchell

When the WPA art classes were started at the Hawthorne Ceder-Knolls school for delinquent children, many of the boys stayed away from class because artists were just "sissies and buttercups." Today, everyone to the last, is proud of the current exhibit of 18 paintings by young people at the New School for Social Research. At the school they proudly point to the anti-war murals done by one of the inmates which decorate the library walls.

This change in attitude was part of Instructor Harold Goldfinger's added task. Teaching art to delinquents of a "correction school" called also for a change in many personal and prejudiced conceptions.

Most of the underprivileged youngsters confined to the school are good kids at heart, their teacher will tell you, but have been lost or mixed up in the shuffle, through no fault of their own. No money at home, large families in crowded tenements, no playgrounds, corner pool rooms, families on relief, lack of proper supervision and training—all these malevolent factors contributed toward getting these youngsters in trouble. The minors committed to Hawthorne are victims of petty crimes and bad habits.

The Hawthorne-Ceder Knolls School is a progressive educational institution for the treatment of behavior problems, special emphasis being placed on delinquent behavior. Though the school can in no way solve the fundamental problems of delinquency, it can and does substitute a broad program of progressive education which tackles the problems of correction. Not until the causes of delinquency are wholly removed, of course, can there be any real solution of these youngsters' problems.

Relaxation and Instruction

The experiment in therapeutic art at Hawthorne is two years old and its sole purpose is relaxation and instruction. And though it opens new vistas of expresion and experience for the problem child, art instruction in itself can not adequately arm these potential victims against forces which drive youth into the ways of crime.

The current exhibition not only is outstanding for its artistic merit but also for the insight it offers into the problems and difficulties pressing these boy artists. The paintings have no titles but bear only such comments as the children themselves have made.

L. C., aged 13, painted his canvas on Thanksgiving Day, and commented: "Thanks for nothing. What have I to be thankful for? Take this to the director, with my love." The painting shows two people sitting at a bare table in a desolate room.

N. F., aged 15, wrote: "This is how I feel when I paint. The mallet at the head means that I want to express myself, but that it is hard. The scissors around the throat means the hunger and pain the artist feels when he paints. The tube of paint—that's what I think of and dream of—paints, always paints. The bleeding heart is because I can't always say what I want to. The music means I am happy because I can paint and learn more."

A 12-year-old boy paints a picture of himself with flaming red hair and asks: "Do you like my red hair?"

Each work is a personalized theme which the instructor, Goldfinger, encourages the artist to paint. To date 750 teachers, psychiatrists, social workers and educators have attended the exhibition and left their impressions in the guest book. One wrote: "As a former teacher of children of the same type as these embryo artists, I feel that a superb piece of work must have been done by the teacher in charge. Aside from the latent talent that might be developed by means of such art instruction, the development of individuality that might result is by far more important. An expression for beauty and a love of fine arts are fostered in this opportunity for self-expression. It seems that our government is pursuing true democratic principles in this remembering our 'forgotten children.'"

N. F., aged 15, wrote with this painting: "I want color and line to be the same." (Study of his friend in the art class. Awarded grand prize in painting Boys' Week Exposition.)

Negro Street Songs Revived By Melody Singers on WPA

Juanita Hall, Leader of Chorus, Has Collected Many of the Stirring Tunes of the Deep South, Now Sung on the Streets of Harlem

The Negro peddler on the rickety cart swishes a whip carelessly over his mule, looks lovingly at his load of shiny watermelons and bursts into song:

"Dey is ripe to de rine,
An' I plugs 'em all de time."

The scene is in the deep South. The cart ambles on and housewives, recognizing the familiar song, pause to decide whether they want any watermelons today. To them the street song is not a song but a peddler's invitation to buy.

To musicologists, however, this cry, along with others that vary according to the vegetable, fruit or other article sold, is a characteristic bit of folk music from an almost vanished phase of Southern life. The song represents a culture that is being destroyed by a new struggle for existence. There is arising in its place a new type of tune with a significance vastly different from the dully nostalgic Hollywood concept of Negro life.

There are songs, for example, which, like those of the troubador "Leadbelly," give voice to the growing protest of the Southern Negro. These street songs are worth preserving as an unadorned art that sprang spontaneously from the people.

Musical America is, as a matter of fact, full of melodies inspired by these Southern Street songs. "Ole Man River"—even "Old Folks at Home"—is a fine example of a tune based on these songs. The late George Gershwin collected the street cries of Charleston for his "Porgy An' Bess," "Honey Man," and "Crab Man."

But street songs are not confined to Charleston and other cities of the deep South. We have here in New York our own rich collection, transplanted and adapted to the new environmnt by Negroes who remember the chants of Southern peddlers. New York's street songs, however, are as yet, virtually untouched by the professional tunesmiths and composers.

They are preserved by Juanita Hall in the delighted form in which they orginated. Miss Hall, formerly assistant to Hall Johnson, famous for the choir that bears his name, has had an extended experience in the production of Negro music Of late she has been on the "Columbia Workshop" program of WABC but is at present conductor of the Negro Melody Singers, a WPA Federal Music project unit of considerable popularity. They will give a program in the Federal Music Theatre, 254 W. 54th St., Wednesday, March 30. "For a long time I had in mind the collection of street songs," Miss Hall said, "but not until I joined WPA with this group was I able to start it. Now it is a part of my work, and I am adding to the collection constantly.

In Original Form

"I don't change them at all, as I think they are musical in their original form, but no doubt they will reappear some time in expanded form by some composer, for they are not copyrighted. Who knows what composer will take the kindling wood peddler's cry, 'I'm sellin' kindlin' wod to get along'—and build it up to a hit? Gershwin built songs from the strawberry, honey and crab-peddlers' cries. We have one about shrimp. It's just one line and it goes: 'Shrimp! It's ten cents a plate.' The line is sung over and over again, and each time with a tune variation.

"These are humble themes, but so were bananas and peanuts and organ grinders. I have quite a collection of these humble themes, and sometimes I hope to present an entire program of them."

SCANDALOUS!

Lovely Lombard adorns the screen of the Music Hall until Thursday in "Fools for Scandal" and Carole supplies plenty with the aid of Fernand Gravet

Shirley Temple as 'Rebecca;' Hannes Schneider in 'Ski Chase'

"REBECCA OF SUNNYBROOK FARM," a 20th Century-Fox picture. Produced by Darryl F. Zannuck and directed by Allan Dwan. Screen play by Karl Tunberg and Don Ettlinger from story by Kate Douglas Wiggin. Music by Gordon and Revel and others. Starring Shirley Temple.

By Mike Darrell

Slapstick, straight from Mack Sennett, provides the sole bright spot in Shirley Temple's new vehicle, "Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm," now playing at the Roxy. Miss Temple has nothing to do with one laugh; no indeed. Two bit players take a pratfall and lift the pall of gloom.

A Hollywood kid picture is like an impending major operation to a reviewer. This one is no exception. As a matter of fact, after 75 minutes of watching Mr. Zannuck's moppet dance and song, I felt that surely I must have been under the effect of an anasthetic.

Shirley is quite grown up now. She's just like any other Hollywood musical cutie: drop a hat and you get any of the eight hit tunes advertised. The script men have twisted the old Wiggin's tale so that Cutie-pie can get on the radio. (Somehow this theme seems familiar.) Once before the mike, she brings the country to its knees with her ditties about breakfast food plus a quick—but not quick enough—resume of all the songs she has sung in her previous pictures. It must be hard work for such a mite to carry on the way she does. I advise a long, long rest.

The young-love angle is entrusted to Randy Scott and Gloria Stuart. Jack Haley is one of the comedians used—and by far the best. My personal opinion is that Haley is one of the better straight men in pictures. Helen Westley, as Aunt Miranda, is grand. Her characterizations are a standard for many of the younger actresses to aim for. It is a matter of stupidity on the part of the producer to use a finished actor like J. Edward Bromberg in a two-minute scene.

Some day the moguls on the West Coast will see a French or Russian kid picture. Then, maybe, they will realize that children are not wind-up dolls which pout and sing and do a soft shoe dance.

"THE SKI CHASE," with Hannes Schneider. Presented by George Kraska, in association with World Pictures Corporation. Playing at 5th Ave. Playhouse.

By David Platt

Despite its sophomoric comic interludes, you will find the thrill of skiing in this film as in no other.

At least a dozen high-powered movie cameras were employed to photograph this hour-long chase over the Austrian Tyrol, both in slow and normal motion, and from every conceivable angle. For its sheer scenic beauty alone, this film deserves high rank.

It was made in 1931, two years before the Nazi firebrands robbed the German people of their independence, by an independent German movie company, and features that almost legendary master of the sport, Hannes Schneider.

This man Schneider is the originator of the Arlberg, "a system of varying crouch governed by the skier's speed" (illustrated all through the film), which he taught at St. Anton Am Arlberg, in Austria, until two weeks ago.

What happened two weeks ago in Austria is something no sane man or woman can ever forget. The Nazi incendiaries broke through the borders of an independent nation and in one stroke took over the reigns of government. That barbarous act was the signal for a murderous campaign against the Jewish people of Austria, and against all liberals and radicals.

Hannes Schneider, the hero of "Ski Chase," is an Austrian Jew. Therefore, this man, who has done more than any other person to popularize a sport hitherto limited to but a few, was arrested. Today he lies in a Nazi hell-hole in his native land.

It is greatly to be regretted that the face of Leni Riefenstahl (today one of the Nazi leaders' most intimate lady friends) is Schneider's co-star in "Ski Chase." When the film was made in 1931 Riefenstahl was a rising young actress. Today she is a discredited, ruined woman wherever people still possess some freedom to think and act for themselves.

When the Nazis came to power in the land of Goethe and Beethoven, Riefenstahl turned her back on everything that was healthy and inspiring in German life and joined forces with Hitler's organized campaign to destroy the world's culture. In 1931 she appeared in this film with Hannes Schneider, the Jew. Today, as a friend of Hitler's, she would publicly justify and support Schneider's arrest and imprisonment.

Gala Event for Spain

Ira Gershwin, Charles Friedman, Fred Keating, Paul Lukas, Alexander Kirkland, Vincente Minnelli, Victor Chenkin, Robert Benchley, Clifford Odets, Heywood Broun, Carl Van Doren, and many other prominent figures in the theatrical world, are sponsoring a giant Birthday Party celebrating the first anniversary of the formation of the Friends of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade, at the Hpipodrome, Sixth Ave. at 43rd St., New York City, on April 23, 1938, at 8:30 P.M.

Dots & Dashes

9:00 A.M.-WNYC—Masterwork Hour
1:15-WNYC—Town Hall Club Luncheon, Guest speaker
2:30-WNYC—City Council Meeting
3:00-WHN—Women's Hour
4:00-WOR—Trans-Radio News
WQXR—Quality Music
WABC—Highways to Health
6:00-WEAF—Science in the News, Educational Program
6:30-WOR—Trans-Radio News
WMCA—Dick Fischell, Port Review
7:00-WJZ—Easy Aces
WOR—Stan Lomax, Sports Review
WABC—Just Entertainment, Jack Fulton, Andrews Sisters, Hoenegarten Orchestra
WHN—Negro
7:15-WMCA—"Five-Star Final," News Dramatization
WOR—Concert Orchestra
7:30-WQXR—String Classics, Eddie Brown, Conducting, Bette Paret, Piano Soloist
WOR—"Headlines in the News," Dramas
WABC—Helen Mencken in "Second Husband"
8:00-WEAF—Johnnie Presents, Program
WOR—Morton Gould's Orchestra
WJZ—Fonds' Dramatic Program
WABC—"Big Town," Edward G. Robinson and Clare Trevor
WEVD—Undercurrents of the News, Bryce Oliver, Commentator
WQXR—Music of Schubert, Guest Speaker
8:15-WEVD—"Labor on the March," Dramatic Program
8:30-WABC—Al Jolson, Ned Sparks, Guest
WEAF—Wayne King's Orchestra
WOR—"The Green Hornet Adventure"
WEVD—Voice of Local 91, ILGWU
8:45-WMCA—"The Truth Behind the News As I See It," Johannes Steel
9:00-WEAF—Vox Pop
WABC—Al Pierce and His Gang
9:30-WEAF—Fibber, Molly and Mchee
WABC—Benny Goodman Orchestra, Eddie Cantor, Guest
WQXR—Federal Theatre Presents; Charles Dickens, "Pickwick Papers"
WOR—Irwin Orchestra, Rene Venute
10:00-WABC—The Scenic Show, Tercentenary of Pennsylvania
WQXR—Classical Music
WEAF—NBC Concert Hour
10:15-WEVD—Art and the Delinquent Child
10:30-WOR—The Witch's Tale, Dramatic
11:00-WOR—Trans-Radio News and Weather Reports

Left on Broadway

"England Is No Longer Merry," Said the Bard Several Hundred Years Ago

By Manngreen

THE SILENT CRITIC — Republican Assemblyman Garcia Rivera from the 17 A. D. in Harlem attended the recent hearings of the McNaboe-Devaney Bill in Albany. An intelligent American who is proud of his country's pledge to maintain civil liberties for minority parties, Garcia was disgusted by McNaboe's absurd anti-Communist ravings. Finally he threw up his hands and walked out of the hearings. But he returned within fifteen minutes with a magazine under his arm. Proceeding to the very front row, Garcia took his seat and flipped open the pages of the magazine for all to see. It was the February, 1938, issue of "The Communist"!

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NOTES IN A LITTLE RED BOOK—The International Publishers' Congress will be held in Berlin this year. Most of the front-rank American publishers are boycotting the affair—but the house of Houghton-Mifflin will attend. They are the American publishers of Adolf Hitler's "Mein Kampf." . . . The American government has been cooperating with most of the Hollywood movie studios in the filming of pictures that use the American army, navy, marine or air force for background material in the scenario. But the order granting any further such permissions will be rescinded. The possibility of war is too near at hand to allow continued film recording of the United States martial equipment! . . . Orson Welles is reported to have said that the reason why he was so anxious to do Shakespeare's "Henry V" next season was that it contains one of the most unusual lines in all Elizabethan literature, to wit: "Merrie England is no longer merrie, since gentlemen first appeared!"—which would make Avon's bard England's original historical materialist! . . .

ON SKIIS

Hannes Schneider, famous athlete, is up to his famous stunts in "The Ski Chase," at the 5th Avenue Playhouse for an indefinite run.

Health Advice

By Medical Advisory Board

Doctors of the Medical Advisory Board do not advertise. Readers' questions will be offered to a doctor for reply. However, diagnosis of individual cases and prescription will not be attempted. When writing, please enclose stamped, self-addressed envelope.

Hospital Plan

B. S. of New York City, writes:

"I am interested in the "Three Cents A Day" Hospital plan. I am a widow with a son of 12 years, hard working, and I am now in need of a good rest. Would I benefit by subscribing to the plan?"

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Rowe Key to Detroit's Hopes Against Yanks

Why the Cubs Took On Tony Lazzeri

By Henry McLemore

TAMPA, Fla., March 28 (UP).—During the winter a total of 11,708 persons asked me why the Chicago Cubs signed Tony Lazzeri as a coach, and at a fancy salary. Each time my answer was the same, "I don't know."

The sameness of this answer so palled on me that the other day when the rest of my set was out robbing birds' nests, I secluded myself, determined to find an answer to this absorbing baseball question. One by one I rejected the stock answers I have read in the newspapers. That Tony had been signed to eventually succeed Charley Grimm as manager didn't make sense to me. Grimm has done a good job and Owner P. K. Wrigley is so fond of him that he probably would excuse him if his work were mediocre. Furthermore, in the generous-sized person of Gabby Hartnett the Cubs have the logical successor to Grimm. It didn't add up that Lazzeri was engaged for his playing ability. He's still a handy man around second base, but he is more than a few years past his prime and in Billy Herman the Cubs have one of the great second basemen in baseball. Another explanation that didn't tally was that he was hired to strengthen the board of control. An American Leaguer all his life, Lazzeri couldn't be counted on to help much in planning strategy in the National League.

So, by the process of elimination, I finally arrived at what seems to me the only sensible reason why Signor Lazzeri was hired by the Cubs.

Cubs Sure of Series Shot

This is it: he was hired because the Cubs feel certain they are going to get in the World Series this year, that the Yankees will be their opponents, and that Tony Lazzeri, of all men, knows the most about the New York club.

I honestly believe that the San Francisco Italian, for more than a decade an important cog in the Yankee machine, was hired on the gamble that his knowledge of the Yankees would be of tremendous help in the Fall. Certainly, he would be a great help. He knows the strength and weakness of every hitter; knows the same about the pitchers; knows the strategy of the team. What a help he would be to the Cubs if, when October rolls 'round, the Cubs clash with the Yankees.

Reports from the Coast, where the Cubs are training, would seem to bear out my guess. I have heard on good authority that he is not being taken into the bosom of the Cubs family, but is being treated as somewhat of an outsider. If Owner Wrigley did employ Lazzeri for the purpose I have named, he showed, in my opinion, sound judgment. The Cubs can't be kept out of the National pennant forever. For the past two years now they have the strongest team in the League. Injuries cut them down last year when they seemed to be in and the year before they had a lead which appeared unbeatable.

This year, I figure, Wrigley feels his team's number is sure to come up, and that when it does he wants Lazzeri, who knows all there is to know about the formidable Yankees, to lend counsel. It certainly won't hurt to have him there, and if by chance his knowledge enabled Wrigley to achieve his dream—a world's championship—the $12,000 or $13,000 salary of Lazzeri would be as nothing.

Henry Meets Feldman For Charity Tomorrow

Lew Feldman is being considered very brave by local boxing fandom. The Brooklyn lightweight must be 1a17, during the Socialist Revolu-Armstrong, featherweight champ considered the best fighter in the game, in a charity bout at the Hippodrome tomorrow night.

Armstrong is everybody's choice to end the fight long before its destined length. The Negro ace blew into town the other day for the night. Proceeds of the bout go to the family of the late Charlie Lynch, popular fight official.

Bushwicks Get Jimmy Pattison

Jimmy Pattison, once the prize schoolboy pitcher of New York and recently a veteran of International League ball, has joined the Bushwicks and will pitch regularly for the Woodhaven club this season. The Bushwicks launch their season Sunday against the Lancaster Red Roses at Dexter Park.

Pattison, named the outstanding high school player of 1927 when he led Madison High School to the city championship, is a left-hander with real speed. He also excels as a hitting pitcher.

TOMORROW--

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One Up for Fresh Water Swimmers From West

BIG SPLASH FOR MICHIGAN: Start of the 100-yard free style final, one of the events of the National Collegiate A. A. swimming championship at the Rutgers Pool. Michigan's great aggregation of lake swimmers were too much for the salt water boys from the Eastern schools.

CCNY Specter Hovers Over NYU Baseball, Football Practice

Diamond Coach McCarthy Tells 'Daily' Team Will Avenge '38

By Roy Parker

There's a purple and black spectre hovering over Ohio Field where the New York University baseball team is working out under the watchful eye of Coach Bill McCarthy. That spectre is City College.

Last year the Beavers handed N. Y. U. two shellackings, the first time in metropolitan intercollegiate diamond history. To make matters worse, C. C. N. Y. dropped all their other games with local teams.

McCarthy is determined that story will be very different this year.

"We won't make that mistake again," he told the Daily Worker yesterday before the regular practice got under way.

McCarthy is in somewhat the same fix as Sam Winograd, the City College coach, when it comes to material. Both lost most of their veterans this year. But He is optimistic as there is plenty to be cheerful about in the offing for the N. Y. U. nine this season.

George Campioni, the heavy-hitting outfielder, is the only one of the boys who saw duty in both of those C. C. N. Y. defeats last year, who will be back this year.

WILLIAMS IN OUTFIELD

With him in the outfield will probably be Ed Williams, the Negro football ace, and Joe Sivak. The only trouble with the outfield is that all the hitting strength . . . or most of it. . . is concentrated in the twelve garden candidates who make up more than a third of the thirty-five man squad. For this reason Campioni may be moved to shortstop.

Mike Rowan, returning after a one years' absence looks good for the third base spot. Mike Mangapelo of last year's freshman team and Joe Krainin, a sub last search, are the shortstop prospects. Al Campanis seems to have second base sewed up. First base will probably go to George Sassio. These boys will have their hands full replacing that quartet of Ray, Siskind, Terjesen and Merchauser.

Mike D'Angelo and Walter Bush, both subs last year, are the backstop prospects for this season. They'll be catching a mound staff featuring Griebel and Kashata of last year's team and Bill Auer, brother of the Police and Fire Department hurlers, and Boell and Murray Walberg of last year's freshman team.

STEVENS BUSY

Over in the Athletic Association officer football coach Mal Stevens was waiting for five o'clock when his 92 man spring training squad replaces the baseball activities.

The City College ghost popped up here too, but in different form. Stevens took issue with City College Coach Benny Friedman's statement to the Daily Worker that the Beavers could have beaten N. Y. U. last year.

"It's better for both teams that City College was dropped from our schedule, "Stevens drawled." It wasn't fair to us or them. I had to hold the boys back so they wouldn't beat them 80 or 90 to nothing.

LOCAL WAR!

City College will have a chance to answer these slurs on the part of N. Y. U.'s football and baseball coaches in an early issue of the Daily Worker. Disturbing reports from Brooklyn College that run along the "We can beat them all" line will be aired when the other claims are done with.

"City College did have a fine team last year. It was well trained, but Benny's material is limited."

As to the Violets themselves, Stevens isn't overflowing with optimism. There isn't a wealth of veteran or freshman material this year. It's much to early to think of the prospects for next year, he said, but he has a tentative idea of how the team will shape up.

HOW THEY'LL LOOK

The backfield will probably line up with Harry Sherten, Ed Williams, Ed. Boell and George Wilkind. Danny Dowd and Boell will take over the kicking job relinquished by Howard Dunney. Al Campanis and Danny Dowd will take the ends, Jim Connell center and there are plenty of vets to fight the fresh for the other posts. Phil Swijadon is certain of a tackle job.

While Mentor Stevens Poo-Poos City Grid Boasts

YANKEES BREAK LOOSE

HAINES CITY, Fla., March 28 (UP).—The New York Yankees hung up their eighth win in 14 starts today when they defeated their minor league farm hands, the Kansas City Blues, 14-2.

All the Yanks' scoring was confined to two innings, the Ruppert rifles sent across six runs in the fourth on two hits, six walks, and a wild pitch. Knickerbocker's double with the bases loaded featured the assault. Tommy Henrich's homer with two men on highlighted the eight-run spree in the sixth.

Bump Hadley and Lee Stine divided the Yankee pitching with the former, who pitched five innings, allowing five hits and two runs, awarded the victory.

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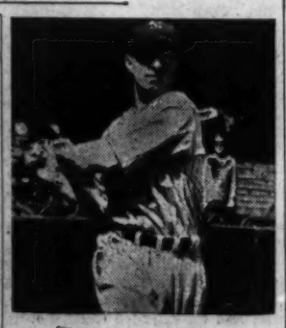

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LOUIS SET FOR FAST JOB ON THOMAS

20-1 Favorite, Champ Out to Better Schmeling's K.O. Time

By Abe Newman

Joe Louis defends his title against the wild-swinging Harry Thomas at the Chicago Stadium on Friday night. The big Negro champ risks his laurels for the third time since he won them from Jim Braddock last July.

Joe actually is taking little risk in meeting Thomas. The ponderous heavyweight from Eagle Bend, Minn., figures to be a soft touch. All that Thomas offers in the way of competition against the top-notch Detroit Bomber is a fair ability to punch with a right hand.

Despite the one-sided aspect to this bout the championship is at stake, and this fact in itself should draw a full gate. The odds makes the champion a prohibitive favorite at anywhere from fifteen and twenty to one.

The few supporters of Thomas base their hopes for Harry to dethrone the heavyweight boss on their confidence that Harry will connect with a few hard rights and possibly upset Louis. Considering the fact that honest Harry is none too aggressive, or fast with either hand, it is hard to see at this writing just how he expects to land on the clever champion.

The truth of the matter is that Thomas is a sucker for a fast counter - puncher. Countering with shocking speed and accuracy is one of the things Joe Louis does best. The clumsy guys who know nothing but slug are made to order for Joe. Up to date Thomas has shown that he is minus most of the requirements of a first class ringman.

Schmeling stopped Thomas in eight rounds. Joe Louis being at least twice the fighter that Hitler's heavyweight champion is, this reporter picks him by a knockout inside of four rounds at Chicago.

Surprising Amerks Clash With Hawks

The New York Americans and Chicago Black Hawks, courageous underdogs who upset highly favored opponents, clash tonight in the Stanley Cup hockey semi-final.

It will begin in New York while the Toronto Maple Leafs and the Boston Bruins resume their best of five playoff for the National League Hockey title and a Stanley Cup final berth. Toronto, also an underdog in the betting, has won the first two and needs one more victory.

The Americans reached the semi-final by upsetting their favored city rivals, the Rangers, after more than two hours of the most gruelling hockey this season. A spectacular goal by Lorne Carr 40 seconds after the beginning of the fourth overtime period, broke a 2-2 tie.

He-Man Gabby Flees Radio Mush

HOLLYWOOD, March 25 (UP).—Charles (Gabby) Hartnett, 225 pounds of bone and muscle on a baseball field, but just that much quivering flesh in front of a microphone, went back to work with the Chicago Cubs today, daring anyone to call him Romeo.

Gabby made his first—and probably his only—attempt to become a radio artist last night. He was to play opposite Fanny Brice in a skit scheduled for release by the National Broadcasting Company. But four minutes before he was to whisper, "I will kiss you a thousand times," Hartnett struck out.

He tossed aside his scrip sheet and said:

"It's no use, fellows. I can't go through with it."

Pitching Comeback Plus Terrific Punch Can Win for Tigers

(This is the eleventh of a series of articles analyzing the chances of the major league clubs hot from the training camps.)

LAKELAND, Fla., March 28 (UP).—The feeling in the camp of the Detroit Tigers is that if Schoolboy Rowe stages a comeback they'll win the pennant. But who knows what Rowe will do?

He looks all right and he says he feels all right but the final answer wonst be known until he pitches in big league competition in early May. Manager Mickey Cochrane has no way of knowing what 1938 holds for Rowe, so he's making his plans to go along without him. The Tigers have a good pitching staff without Rowe, and with him pitching as he did on the pennant winners of 1934 and 1935 they'd have a great hurling corps.

The Tigers finished only 13 games back of the Yanks last year with Rowe winning only one game, Cochrane getting beaned and Rudy York playing only half a season. If Rowe comes back and wins 19 games and York belts 45 to 50 homers, the Tigers can easily threaten the Yanks' crown.

The three bright spots in the Tigers' outlook are Hank Greenberg, Charlie Gehringer and York. Greenberg led the league in runs batted in last year, with 183. He looks great and there's every reason to believe he'll be close around the top again. Gehringer led the league in batting with .371 and at 35 still seems to be able to go at top speed or thereabouts for a couple of more seasons. York, more confident behind the plate; is likely to create havoc at the plate. He seems certain to crowd Greenberg, Gehrig and DiMaggio in the runs batted in department.

The Tigers hope to trump the Yanks' siege guns, DiMaggio, Gehrig and Dickey, with Gehringer, Greenberg and York on three counts—hitting, home runs and runs batted in.

Cochrane's main problem is to get a pitching replacement for Rowe, providing he doesn't come back. Right now he considers his "big three," Tommy Bridges, Elden Auker and Vernon Kennedy, who came from the White Sox. For his fourth starter he figures on Boots Poffenberger, the chunky right-hander who came up from Beaumont in mid-season and won ten games.

"I'm supposed to take Rowe's place in the Spring," says Poffenberger. "Well, I'm going to pitch so well that they'll be afraid to take me out of there even if Rowe's all right later."

HANK GREENBERG

Other pitchers Cochrane counts on are Jake Wade, a southpaw who will be a star if he can control his stuff; Roxie Lawson, an 18-game winner last year; George Gill, George Coffman and Harry Eisenstat or Joe Rogalski.

In the infield the only doubtful spot is third, where Mark Christman, up from Beaumont, seems to have an edge over Don Ross from Toronto because of his aggressiveness. Neither can hit. Greenberg at first, Gehringer at second and Billy Rogell at short round out the infield. Dixie Walker from the White Sox will play center, Pete Fox right, and either Roy Cullenbine, up from Toledo, or Jo-Jo White left. Cullenbine has all the earmarks of a find and may wind up a regular. Walker is pleased with his transfer to the Tigers and hopes to improve on his mark of 95 runs batted in last year. Chet Laabs will do utility duty.

York will have Ray Hayworth and Birdie Tebbets as his catching assistants.

If Rowe comes back, Cullenbine hits .300 and Christman plays third up to major league standards and hits a lick, look for Detroit when the American League pennant race hits the home stretch. If they're not ahead of the Yanks they'll be breathing on their necks.

BAER NOW RATED 3RD

WASHINGTON, March 28 (UP).—The National Boxing Association today promoted Max Baer, former world's champion, to third place in its quarterly rating of heavyweight boxers.

The association's listing committee dropped Tommy Farr, British heavyweight whom Baer defeated recently, to fifth place, just behind Tony Galento, Max Schmeling, who fights Champion Joe Louis in June for the title, was rated No. 1 challenger.

The sound trouncing which Gunnar Baarlund, Finnish fighter, gave Buddy Baer won him sixth place among heavyweights. The younger of the Baer brothers was not included in the list of 11 top-ranking heavyweights.

The committee eliminated James J. Braddock, retired former heavyweight champion, from the official list. Also dropped since Jan. 1 were Andre Lenglet and Arturo Lovell.

After the sixth place Baarlund in the order of their listing came Nathan Mann, Bob Pastor, Clarence "Red" Burman, Al McCoy and Jimmy Adamick.

The committee rated as champion and No. 1 challenger in the other divisions:

Light weight: John Henry Lewis and Al Gainer; middleweight: Freddie Steel and Young Corbett, III; welterweight: Barney Ross and Ceferino Garcia; lightweight, Lew Ambers and Pedro Montanez; featherweight, Henry Armstrong and Freddie Miller; bantamweight, Sixto Escobar and Pancho Villa; flyweight, Benny Lynch and Jacke Jurich.

Sox' Hopes Socked

LOS ANGELES, March 28 (UP).—Luke Appling, star shortstop of the Chicago White Sox baseball club, yesterday broke his right ankle while sliding into a base during an exhibition game with the Chicago Cubs.

LITTLE LEFTY — by del